

WILL LIST 500 FOOD GAMBLERS

But Biggest Speculators May Evade Publicity

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Agriculture Department will probably publish this week an "advance list" of 500 to 600 commodity market speculators with large holdings, but some of the biggest fish may escape the net. The list will include traders holding 200,000 or more bushels of grain futures on any one "sample day" within the past two years. According to the law, those holding that amount in any one future on any one exchange are required to report daily to the government. But smart operators who distribute their holdings over several markets and several futures do not have to report.

The list of speculators will be made public as a result of a resolution passed on the last day of the special session of Congress, and signed by President Truman, authorizing Agriculture Secretary Clinton Anderson to publish it.

Anderson had refused to act without such a resolution in the grounds the law did not permit him to do so.

The complete list of 12,000 to 15,000 speculators, large and small, cannot be prepared for publication this week, according to J. M. Mehl, chief of the Agriculture Department's Commodity Exchange Authority.

Senate investigators, for whom the list is being compiled, called on Edwin W. Pauley, Special Assistant to Army Secretary Kenneth Royall, to submit "without further delay" the books and records of his own market operations.

Pauley's known holdings in commodity exchange futures while serving as Assistant Army Secretary touched off the uproar about speculation. GOP leaders in and out of Congress saw a chance to do a job on the Administration.

The Administration countered with a demand that it be allowed to make the entire list public presumably because it contains the names of some GOP bigshots, including possibly congressional leaders.

READY HOUSE PROBE

In a letter to Pauley, Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.), who heads the Senate Appropriations subcommittee conducting the investigation, reminded him he had agreed to turn over all books and records of his commodity exchange transactions.

A separate House investigation of speculation was shaping up also, under the direction of Rep. August Andresen (R-Minn.).

Both the Andresen and the Ferguson investigations are expected to concentrate on turning up Administration "insiders" who have been trading in the food exchanges. It makes good political capital for next year's election.

While the uproar on the speculation question continued in Washington, the Chicago Board of Trade reported a general advance in all cereal prices. Several new seasonal high records were set on Saturday. The GOP and the Administration, while squabbling over who was speculating, had neglected to do anything about stopping it. See Capital Notes—Page 2.

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GUINEA PIG IN HEAT TEST: Rolling out of a heat chamber is Si Friedlander, a student at the University of California in Los Angeles. He was one of a group, which included six scientists, who submitted to being cooped up in a sealed room much hotter than boiling water to prove that pilots will be able to stand the intense heat generated by friction when planes hit 1,000 m.p.h. The tests disclosed that the human body is capable of standing temperatures up to 250 degrees Fahrenheit.

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Predict Minnesota Demo-Laborites Will Run Wallace

Elmer A. Benson, former Governor and U. S. Senator from Minnesota, urging Henry A. Wallace to run for the presidency, predicted that the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party would nominate the former Vice-President at its convention next spring. This was announced yesterday by the Progressive Citizens of America.

Benson, a member of the state executive committee of the DFL, the official Democratic Party machinery in Minnesota, wired Wallace: "I want to join the millions who call you to lead their fight in November 1948."

"Minnesota progressives, anxious to defeat reactionary Congressmen, see in your fight a program and an inspiring leadership which can insure the election of Congressmen prepared to fight for the common man," he added.

Should Wallace decide to run as an independent candidate and receive the endorsement of the DFL, the national Democratic Party would be forced to form a third party in Minnesota to put its candidate on the state ballot.

Praising Wallace for his fight against peacetime military conscription and military control of Washington, Benson a PCA vice-chairman, wired:

"The progressive people in Minnesota created a Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party dedicated to the Roosevelt program. I am confident that at its convention next spring it will rededicate itself to the people's fight and make you the DFL candidate for President in Minnesota."

POLL STATE PCA CHAPTER

A PM poll of leaders of 11 state PCA chapters revealed near unanimous support for the PCA national executive committee action in asking Wallace to make the race. The boards of eight state chapters had already passed resolutions endorsing the action. The other three reported that while no official action had been taken approval was expected.

The states polled were: Washington, Oregon, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, West Virginia, Delaware, and Colorado. PCA has more than 500 chapters in 22 states.

NMU Officials Hit Curran Statement

National Maritime Union President Joseph Curran's statement repudiating the action of fellow union officials in endorsing Wallace and an independent party was sharply assailed Friday night by members of the NMU National Council.

In a statement to all ports Chester Young and Howard McKenzie, union vice-presidents and Paul Palazzi, New York port agent, denied that either the NMU or the CIO convention gave Curran authority to state that the NMU is opposed to an independent political party.

Cite Resolutions

The statement quoted from resolutions adopted by both conventions

which stated that only through independent political action could labor and progressives successfully fight reaction.

In answer to Curran's statement that the NMU convention limited the union to support of CIO-PAC, the three officials quoted from the Political Action report adopted at the convention:

"The 80th Congress has demonstrated that the Republican and Democratic Parties share joint responsibility for the repressive and undemocratic legislation enacted. . . The American people will secure the progressive and beneficiary legislation and national policies they need only with the coming to (Continued on Page 10)

Hold Greek Journalist Here for Deportation

The case of a Greek journalist, accredited to the United Nations, who has been arrested for deportation by the Department of Justice, came to light this week-end. He is

Nicos Kyriazides, who covered the UN General Assembly for the Greek Communist paper, *Rizospastis*, and Eleftheria Ellada, newspaper of the EAM, the Greek democratic coalition.

These papers have now been banned in Greece. But a week-end edition of *Rizospastis* still publishes, and Kyriazides is still accredited to it at the United Nations.

The Greek journalist was arrested Thursday, and is now held at Ellis Island.

If deported to Greece, it is pointed out, he is likely to face death in the hands of the Sophoulis government, now carrying out American anti-Communist policy.

The National Maritime Union has protested the wholesale arrests and threatened deportation of scores of Greek seamen charged with overstaying the 29-day limit on American soil.

The Union's national office urged their immediate release and warned that "to deport these men to Greece would mean sending them to their death in view of the fascist character of the present Greek regime which has decreed the death sentence for trade unionists."

The telegram pointed out that shipping is slow at the present time and that the 29-day restriction must not be used to hound and persecute hundreds of additional foreign-born seamen "who are forced to remain idle ashore while awaiting their turn to ship out."

"By legalizing the murder of rank and file trade unionists who strike for higher pay, the Greek government is trying to maintain its unpopular dictatorship," Aaron D.



JOHN TAYLOR, page boy, hangs a wreath on the House cloak room door. Considering the big nothing Congress has done for the people, that for "Members Only" sign is most appropriate. Themselves and Wall Street are the only people whose Yule Congress made merry.

Tenants Await Verdict on Rent Hike Plea Today

Tenants throughout the city are eagerly awaiting a decision today by the New York City Rent Advisory Board on a landlord plea for a 15 percent flat boost in rent.

The board, headed by Joseph D. McGoldrick, has been asked by the Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee for an increase while tenant and labor groups have asked the board to reduce rents because of the drop in services.

The American Labor Party last week demanded a public hearing on the rent situation here and warned that the Board may decide on a 15 percent boost without it.

Groups asking for a cut in rents are the City CIO and the Emergency Committee on Rent and Housing.

A recent Board meeting asked that federal controls be continued in the City and Nassau and Suffolk counties because of overcrowding, growing number of evictions and the lag in construction.

At today's session, the Board may reject the plea for a boost, okay it or decide on a public hearing soon after the first of the year.

In Washington, Rep. Jesse P. Wolcott, (R-Mich) has said that Congress will consider some form of rent control shortly after it reconvenes. The present federal law expires Feb. 29. He advocated "some moderations" of the current law.

Although rents have risen on an average of five percent during the first four months of the current federal law, and about 10 percent of tenants in rental units have signed the 15 percent voluntary increases, landlords are not satisfied with the law. It didn't turn out the gravity-train they expected.

The Administration has not yet indicated what kind of a fight, if any, it will put forward for new effective rent controls.

But Rep. Emanuel Celler, Brooklyn Democrat, has introduced a bill which would extend controls through June, 1949 and eliminate the "voluntary" 15 percent increase. It would place new building back under control and return to the government its previous power to stay evictions.

Jews Shoot Two Britons

JERUSALEM, Dec. 21 (UP). — Jews with tommyguns shot down a British lieutenant and sergeant-major today on one of Jerusalem's busiest avenues and one Arab and three Jews were reported killed in scattered, new disorders from Safad in the north to Lydda in the south.

The British soldiers fell gravely wounded with 10 slugs in their stomachs on King George Avenue, a few hundred yards from the Jewish Agency building. The Irgun Zvai Leumi telephoned the United Press that its agents shot them and said: "This is retribution for the rape of a Jewish girl in Jerusalem last week by British soldiers."

Robert Stern, a British Jew who was public information officer until recently, was shot dead in the Talbich quarter of Jerusalem.

Radio Moscow Says GIs Pour Into Austria

LONDON, Dec. 21. (UP).—Radio Moscow said tonight that United States army reinforcements were pouring into Austria and that many soldiers with strange insignia were on the streets of Vienna.

Quoting a dispatch from the Tass agency, Radio Moscow said many American officers were in Salzburg as "visitors" from Bavaria. It quoted the new troops as allegedly saying their units were transferred from Italy.

Capital Notes

Demos, GOP Duck Speculation Curb

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON

THE MOST instructive part of the squabble over grain speculation between the Democratic Administration and the Republican Congress was the way both sides lost all interest in the subject when it came to do something to curb speculation.

The Republicans got hold of a good thing when they hauled Edwin V. Pauley before a Senate Committee and made him admit he had large holdings in food commodities while serving as special assistant to Army Secretary Kenneth Royal.

But to make political capital of this, they had to push the idea that speculation on the commodity markets was responsible for high prices, something they had refused to admit earlier when speculation curbs were up for discussion.

If they were as anxious to curb prices as they would have the public believe, they would have rushed a bill through Congress putting a halt to speculation, following their burst of indignation at Pauley.

Instead, they rushed a bill through Congress designed to make public the list of speculators in the hope of catching a few more Administration "insiders" in their political nets.

IN HIS TESTIMONY before the Senate Committee, Pauley said he had lost \$100,000 by selling part of his commodity holdings in September, when he took the Army appointment; by which he meant they were "worth" \$100,000 more in December.

You would think anyone really interested in investigating high prices would jump at that one. For what it means is that a single individual, in less than 100 days, would have taken another \$100,000 out of the pockets of consumers for doing nothing except buying and selling on the exchange—or better than a thousand dollars a day.

The consumers did not save the \$100,000 that Pauley said he "lost." Other speculators who bought from Pauley pocketed the dough.

There are nearly 14,000 big-timers alone floating around, according to Agriculture Secretary Anderson.

THE ADMINISTRATION boys have not denied that speculation has something to do with high prices. In fact, President Truman, in his 10-point "anti-inflation" program, asked for power to increase margins for buying on the exchanges.

This is supposed to curb speculation. But listen to Agriculture Secretary Anderson in his testimony before a Congressional Committee on this point in the Truman program:

"The proposal to strengthen regulation of speculative trading on commodity exchanges is directed especially to the purpose of curbing inflationary speculation by the large mass of small traders. . . ."

Anderson maintained Truman did not intend to cut out margins, but simply to keep them at the present 33 1/3 percent. This freezes out small speculators and leaves the field clear for the big ones.

CONVICT 2 WHITE MEN FOR RAPE OF FLORIDA NEGRO GIRL

MIMS, Fla., Dec. 20.—Bill Hagan and W. L. McKnight—both white—were sentenced this week in the Washington County Circuit Court to prison terms of five and seven years, respectively, for criminal attacks on two Negro high school girls.

The assaults were committed last September near Chipley, Florida. An all-white jury brought back the

guilty verdicts. Observers considered the sentences as light for the offenses charged, but were encouraged as breaking a precedent, long established, of freeing white men charged with raping Negro women.

W. W. Flournoy, a courageous white attorney retained by the NAACP, aided the prosecution and played a leading part in obtaining the convictions.



MRS. ROOSEVELT is met on her arrival at LaGuardia Field by son Franklin Jr. She returned from UN Human Rights Commission meeting in Geneva. American delegation was under fire for refusal to agree to probe of Jim-crow in U. S.

MICHIGAN 'U' STUDENT BODY ASKS INVITE FOR EISLER

Special to the Daily Worker

ANN ARBOR, Dec. 21.—The University of Michigan Student Council has voted to ask the administration to invite Gerhart Eisler, one of the victims of Un-American Committee persecution, to come back to this city under University auspices and speak on the campus.

This request arose out of the resentment of large sections of the student body to a recent demonstration, obviously organized with university heads' connivance, against Eisler when he appeared to speak here last Monday night.

Eisler, despite a large group of well-organized hoodlums, did speak to several hundred students from a house porch, after university authorities had denied the Michigan Youth for Democratic Action the use of any campus building.

A petition being signed by many of the students after Monday night's disruption of Eisler's meeting, asks his return and an opportunity for the students to hear him.

State Dep't Behind French Labor Split

By Rob F. Hall

PARIS, Dec. 21.—The split in the General Confederation of Labor resulted from the work of French agents working in the interests of the United States State Department, according to well informed persons here.

Benoit Frachon, secretary-general of the trade union federation, told me in an exclusive interview that for weeks the State Department has been subsidizing certain splitters whose objective was to weaken the French unions.

Saturday Soir, conservative weekly journal, declared that as far back

as Nov. 8, the United States wanted a rupture in the CGT. William Bullitt, on his recent visit, openly advised Socialist Party forces in the CGT to split.

In an editorial in Humanite yesterday, Marcel Cachin, noted that a week ago Leon Blum wrote in Populaire, that the Socialists sought to "detach workers from the absurd and intolerable tyranny of Communism." Cachin commented: "Thus a U.S. agent carries out the orders of American imperialism."

That the Schuman government had a direct hand in the split was revealed in Saturday's Intransigent, a reactionary organ, which said: "This split is a victory for the government. One can rest assured that Finance Minister Rene Mayer, was in part an architect of the split, giving it all the aid in his power."

Following the vote of the Socialist faction and the split, Leon Jouhaux and four Socialists resigned from the executive committee of the CGT and will proceed to establish a new center. The Catholic trade union leaders deny reports that Jouhaux's "Workers Force" will be united with their center.

An interesting fact is that Jouhaux was advised by right-wing CIO and AFL friends to retain his group as a formal part of the CGT and bore from within. However, Jouhaux was unable to execute that strategy thereby losing former standing among French workers.

MAJORITY HIT MARSHALL PLAN

Observers refuse to estimate the extent of the splitters' strength. Frachon cited to me as the best indication a recent CGT executive council vote on the Marshall Plan. Frachon, denouncing the Plan, secured 88 percent of the ballots. Jouhaux received 14 percent. The most optimistic Jouhaux followers expect no more than 500,000 workers will follow the ex-CGT leader in the coming year.

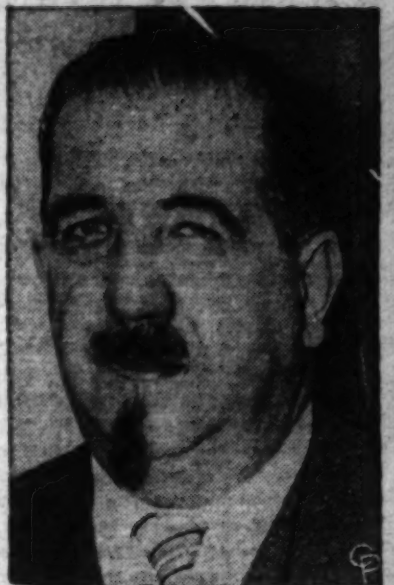
DEFLECTIONS NEGLIGIBLE

This is a small part of the six million members of the CGT. But Confederation leaders do not minimize the serious situation created by the split. Frachon said that while defections in themselves will be negligible, this act by the Jouhaux clique was a "weakening factor for the working class at a time when workers need all their strength."

Because of this consideration, three CGT leaders belonging to no political party announced they were sticking with the CGT. They are Louis Saillant, who is also general-secretary of the World Federation of Trade Unions, Eduard Ehni and Alain Leleap. The latter said:

"Two forces are in motion, the

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LEON JOUHAUX
Foreign Orders Cost His Job

Chi. Printshop Workers Move For Strike Vote

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Commercial print shop workers moved toward a strike vote in the event the employers' Franklin Association refuses to accept the conditions of employment adopted by Chicago Typographical Union No. 16 today.

At a meeting of the local union, which includes the striking typos of the six daily newspapers here and commercial shop printers, the officers were authorized to notify the international union at Indianapolis of a "deadlock" if negotiations on Tuesday show a refusal by job shop employers to accept the conditions of employment.

Such action would lay the groundwork for receipt of authorization from the international's executive council to take a strike vote, either before or around Dec. 30 when commercial shop contracts expire.

Strike action by commercial printers who are still setting much advertising copy for the struck newspapers, is expected to change the newspaper strike picture in favor of the printers.

REJECT CONTRACT

In adopting the conditions of employment for commercial shops today, the printers rejected the employers' proposal to sign a contract, which, under the Taft-Hartley Act, would abolish the closed shop.

This also reaffirms support for the union "no contract" policy and lays the basis for common strike action on the already struck newspapers and the commercial shops.

"The two groups of employers—publishers and commercial shops

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Village Carolers: Students of Greenwich House Music School prepare for the initiation of an annual Village Carolers group which will sing three evenings prior to Christmas in the downtown area.

Right Wing Wins Carey Backers Lose Philadelphia UE Poll

Right-wing candidates won the New York CIO Newspaper Guild elections by margins of 300 to 500, results announced over the weekend revealed.

John T. McManus, president, was defeated by George R. Holmes, 3,041 to 2,748; Thomas J. Murphy defeated John F. Ryan for executive vice-president, 3,135 to 2,635; and Jack Deegan defeated Miss Jerre Smoot for secretary-treasurer, 3,105 to 2,862.

The vote for first, second and third vice presidents, respectively, was: Steve Horton, 3,029 to 2,691 for William A. Corley; Henry Moscow, 2,977 to 2,224 for William Ford; Victor Leo, 3,134 to 2,592 for Miss Terry Miller.

With 7,500 eligible to vote, about 5,800 cast ballots.

Phone Union Maps Pay Drive

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP).—The Communications Workers of America (Ind), representing 233,000 telephone workers, said today it will demand new wage increases next spring when its contract with the Bell Telephone System expires.

Contending that the Bell System obtained \$81,000,000 in extra revenue this year and "is asking for at least that much more," president Joseph A. Belne said union studies show that its companies "can do what they have done in the past year—absorb wage increases."

He said the union has no alternative to new wage demands because Congress has indicated that it has "little intention of doing much" next year to put a brake on spiraling living costs.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—Red-Baiting supporters of CIO secretary James Carey were defeated overwhelmingly in the elections this week in CIO United Electrical Workers

Local 155. David Davis, Communist Party national committee member, was re-elected without opposition to his 14th consecutive term as business agent.

Because of Davis' popularity, the followers of Carey and Harry Block, ousted former district UE president, did not run anyone for business agent but sought to capture a majority of the executive board. Their bid was rejected by a two-to-one margin.

Although professing opposition to the Taft-Hartley law, the Carey-Block group attacked the administration on the grounds that Davis could not sign non-Communist affidavits.

With Davis unopposed, the red-baiters counted on few workers to turn out for the election. Although

the turnout was lower than last year's, the Davis slate increased its strength from 59 percent of the total vote last year to 78 percent. The Carey-Block group dropped from 41 to 32 percent.

Edward D. Larkin was re-elected president over Charles Guensch by 1,391 to 680. Joseph P. Walker, who polled 1,283 votes against Davis for business agent last year, received only 707 for financial secretary and lost two-to-one to incumbent Charles Fluhrer.

Local 155 has 7,000 members in 82 machine shops and is one of the largest locals in this area. The local's five organizers were also unopposed.

3 Dead in Swiss Munitions Blast

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 21 (UP).—Three feet of blackened snow covered the valley of Kander in the Bernese Alps today and authorities said it would take weeks of searching to determine the full extent of casualties and damage from Friday's munition dump explosion.

Officials said that three bodies had been recovered and that six persons were missing and presumed dead but they feared that there may have been additional casualties.

Titanic explosions continued until 10 p.m. yesterday and the sky was criss-crossed with shells and tracers. Small explosions were still occurring today.

The Tremont, Moshulu and Allerton sections of the Communist Party in the Bronx yesterday went over the top in their sub drives. Some 550 Communists throughout the Bronx collected 750 subs for The Worker, bringing the total sum to 3800, just 700 short of the final quota. Section organizers attributed a good part of the success to the hard work of branch officers.

In Tremont, 100 Communists garnered 150 subs by noon to finish their 650 quota. About 50 percent of the membership participated.

The goal of 700 was achieved by the Moshulu section when 160 members obtained 200 subs.

In the Allerton section, 115 Communists got 120 subs in the morning and promised an additional 80 by

nightfall to complete a goal of 700. Twenty-six members of the Fordham section sold 80 subs, reaching 355 of a 400 goal.

Fifty Parkchester members obtained 60 subs.

The Bronx County Committee praised the work of the membership in achieving 85 percent of the sub goal and was confident that the drive would soon be 100 percent.

Worker sub-getters are meeting success in Brooklyn. One enthusiast in the East New York section, Rose Albert, had collected 85 subs by last Friday, and expected to top the 100 mark early this week. A total of 2,287 subs had already been obtained in Brooklyn by Friday.

Communist section organizations

are briskly competing for the top sub-getter's prize—a trip to Havana. Williamsburg, which had been getting one or two a day or less, brought in 69 in five days.

East New York brought its total up to 320—about 62 percent of its quota of 550.

Kings Highway had 105, with a promise to top 200 in several more days.

Brooklyn hopes to have the laugh on the Bronx this week. At a meeting of Brooklyn sub drive workers last Monday a telegram came from the Bronx County organization cheering the drive. It cost \$1.76 collect. The Brooklynites say they will flash a longer collect message back when they break new records this week.

BRONX GROUPS HIT SUB GOAL; B'KLYN GAINS

The Five Cent Fare and Trade Union Opportunism

By Robert Thompson
New York State Chairman, Communist Party

The Transport Workers Union has a fine record of achievement. Through the able organizing efforts and militant struggles of this union higher wages, better working conditions, and a substantial measure of union security have been won for the transit workers. Because of this, and because

the TWU has traditionally played a progressive part in general political and social struggles, this union and its leadership has always enjoyed great prestige in other sections of the trade union movement and among the people generally.

The labor-progressive forces of this city have fully supported the justified wage and related economic demands of the transit workers in the past. Without doubt, they will continue even more energetically this support in the future. It does not follow from this, however, that a wrong, opportunist, so-called "wage strategy" on the part of certain leaders of the TWU will receive the endorsement and support of progressives within the TWU or in other sections of the trade union and progressive movement.

It is a regrettable fact that at least some leaders of the TWU seem to be pursuing such a "wage strategy." In its essence this so-called "wage strategy" boils down to advocacy of a higher fare on

New York City transit lines and to a campaign to enlist support from other sections of the labor and progressive movement for such a fare raise. Apparently it is hoped that in response to such a "wage strategy," concessions regarding wages and related issues will be forthcoming from City Hall politicians and the privately-owned transit lines.

AGAINST WORKERS' INTERESTS

This kind of a so-called "wage strategy" is fundamentally unsound. It does not conform to the interests of the transit workers. It runs directly counter to the general interests of the working people of this city. Clearly, it involves a departure on the part of certain TWU leaders from the militant and progressive tradition of this union.

The new so-called "wage strategy" of certain TWU leaders has four main characteristics:

First: It is a long step in the direction of abandoning an unconditional and militant struggle to raise transit wages. Transit wages, despite past gains, remain sub-standard. The need of transit workers for immediate, substantial wage increases is in no way conditioned by the status of municipal finances or the profit-oriented transit lines. In these circumstances, it is an elementary principle of sound trade unionism to develop a militant wage movement based on the justified demands of the workers in the industry and to refuse to connect, and thereby subordinate, this wage movement to the problems of municipal finances and private-line profits.

The new "wage strategy" of certain TWU leaders is a departure from this elementary principle of sound trade unionism. It is a step in the direction of acceptance of the long discredited "ability to pay" principle as a new basis for labor-management relations in the transit industry.

The real estate and banking interests who dominate the field of municipal finances, the capitalists who operate the private transit lines, always can, always have, and always will present "proof" of their lack of "ability to pay" decent wages to transit workers.

RESIST BANKERS' LINE

Union leaders who move in the direction of acceptance of the discredited company union "ability to pay" principle travel a road leading to subordination of and sacrifice of the workers' interests and demands. Under the general heading of this "ability to pay" principle, the real estate and banker crowd and its political representatives in City Hall are already telling the transit workers, "first help us solve our problems of taxation and profits by foisting a fare raise on the people of New York, and then because our 'ability to pay' will be increased, we will consider your wage demands." This kind of appeal is of course capable of creating monetary confusion never the less it can be said with assurance that militant and progressive workers in the transit industry will resist this line of the

bankers and their politicians even though certain "leaders" fall for it.

SAME AS WAGE CUT

Second: This so-called "wage strategy" aims at solving the wage problems of one group of workers at the expense of the general interests of the working people of this city. Advocacy of Mayor O'Dwyer's proposals for a fare raise is tantamount to advocating a wage cut of \$50 to \$60 a year for every average working family using the subways.

An elementary principle of sound trade unionism, especially in a public service industry such as transport, is the pursuance of policies which facilitates maximum support from other sections of labor and the people generally. The new so-called "wage strategy" of certain TWU leaders is a departure from this elementary principle which has been such a strong feature of TWU policies in the past.

It is a policy of sacrificing the unity and fighting strength of labor and people's forces of this city in order to secure the "fool's gold" of a promised cooperative attitude on the part of the bankers and their political mouth-pieces.

The transit workers need immediate and substantial wage increase. The labor-progressive forces of this city offer them their full support in a struggle for such wage increases, if this struggle is directed against the financial interests who own the private transit lines, the real estate-banker crowd who dominate city finances, and their political agents in Albany and City Hall. The real estate and banker crowd, through their political agents, offer the transit workers a promissory note of a future "co-operative" attitude if they today join with them in an assault on the general interests of the working people of this city. Confronted with these alternatives, it seems that certain leaders of the TWU are choosing as their allies the bankers and their political mouth-pieces. It can be said with assurance that despite probable momentary confusion, the militant and progressive workers in the transit industry will not in the long run make the same choice.

5c FARE SEPARATE QUESTION

Third: The issue of the 5c fare is a question which should not enter the field of labor-management relations in the transit industry. It is a broad social-political question of taxation and municipal finances. It is a question of who should bear the increasing costs of municipal services, the rich or the poor, the real estate banker crowd whose property evaluation and profits have been multiplied by the extension of transit facilities, or the strap-hanger who uses the subway to get to and from work.

For opportunist reasons, certain leaders of the TWU have chosen to tie together the essentially unrelated questions of municipal finances and the wage demands of transit workers. In doing so, they have found a convenient way of supporting the long-established banker-real estate program of solving the problem of municipal

As We See It

The Stakes in The 3rd Party Fight

By Joseph Starobin

THE THIRD PARTY issue has suddenly emerged as the most electric question of American life, suddenly and with terrific voltage the way things happen in our country. A few people who thought they were playing for marbles have picked up their marbles and counted themselves out, which is a good thing, it seems to me.

The idea of making a serious effort to affect the destinies of our country and the world seems to have thrown some people into a sweat. They are running for the showers.



When the "New York Post's" Victor Riesel can spread across its front pages one day after the PCA votes to invite Wallace to run (the false story by Riesel that Michael Nisselson resigned from the PCA), this is only a sign of the barrage of lies that are still to come. Nobody ever accomplished anything important in American life without facing the unholy vituperation, slander, insult, and even physical violence. It is well to see what a third party would face from the Riesel and their kind very early.

IT IS ALSO VERY ENLIGHTENING to get a good glance at Max Lerner of PM, who says he speaks for his newspaper but perhaps not for all of its writers and readers.

There are some professors who have been preaching to the American people that they must awake, must rise to the great challenge, must face the issue of "democratic socialism," all of which is perfectly true. These preachers have pretended to leadership, which is a serious responsibility.

Now that the issue is posed of really rising to the challenge of American reaction, and really coming to grips with the problems of war and peace, of progress or catastrophe, some professors are giving leadership by running backwards as fast as possible.

Let us take note of the phenomenon, remember the names, and be thankful that this happens now instead of later.

IT IS ARGUED that a third party would elect the Republicans. The evidence is that Truman's leadership of the Democratic Party has already done everything necessary to elect a GOP man to the White House. And if the Democratic leaders now open up on a Wallace ticket—it will be that, and nothing else which will elect Republicans.

It was Truman, and not Wallace, who helped elect a solidly reactionary Congress a year ago by the abandonment of everything Truman pledged when the "moon and stars fell down on him," April 12, 1945.

The truth is that the future of American democracy and world peace is too precious a matter to be left in the hands of Truman's leadership, which has already done everything it can to unite with the GOP on a program that meets the needs of Big Business and nobody else.

IT HAS BEEN SAID that a Wallace ticket would affect the chances of a progressive Congress—the people who say this are ready to admit that the presidency is undoubtedly lost to the Democratic Party anyway. That, too, doesn't stand up to analysis.

The only thing that will get out a record vote in 1948 will be a grass roots movement led by Wallace, and the best elements of the Democratic Party on a local scale will benefit by this grass roots movement. It won't be the candidacy of Truman that will rouse independent voters locally. It will be the candidacy of Wallace.

IT HAS BEEN SAID that a third party cannot succeed without the support of the leaders of labor. But have the leaders of labor been giving leadership? That's the question. Has the AFL or the CIO nationally given the lead for a policy of peace? Have they uttered a word about the disgrace and ruin which American foreign policy is bringing to the name of this country everywhere in the world?

Have the top labor leaders absorbed the lessons of pre-Hitler Germany—as far as defending civil liberties, for example, or bucking the anti-Communist hysteria, or even uniting to halt the Taft-Hartley Act?

The fact is that many leaders of labor are way behind their own members—the ones who have been packing Wallace's meetings. America's fate is too precious to be left to the hobble-pace at which some top leaders of labor have been crawling.

THE FIGHT FOR A THIRD PARTY is a tough one, a fight for keeps, for very big stakes. That's what the opponents of Wallace realize, and that's why they react to the possibility of his running as though a couple of thousand volts had passed through them.

Wallace himself now has his big opportunity. To recall a quotation from Lord Bryce, who examined this American commonwealth 60 years ago, it is an opportunity based upon the "existence in the American people of a reserve of force and patriotism more than sufficient to sweep away all the evils which are now tolerated, and to make the politics of the country worthy of its material grandeur and of the private virtues of its inhabitants."

finances by making the poor pay via an increased subway fare.

There is not a class-conscious worker, an honest progressive, a civic minded person, who will go along with this approach to the problems of taxation and municipal finances. (It is not the purpose of this article to elaborate a people's program of how to meet problems of municipal finances. Such a program, along the lines of increased state aid, real estate and income taxes, has been fully dealt with on other occasions in the pages of this paper.)

REACTIONARY OFFENSIVE

Fourth: The 5c fare is a highly political issue. Down through the years it has been defended and

maintained by struggle on the political field. It can be taken away from the people today only by a reactionary offensive on the political field. Reaction is now building up such a political offensive. In New York City it is using the Dem-

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Foster Scores Union's Neglect Of Colonials

American unions' neglect of the victims of American imperialism in Puerto Rico and other colonies was scored by William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party.

In an address to several hundred workers Thursday at Harlem's Club Obrero Espanol, Foster declared that "This betrayal of the colonial peoples by the American labor movement is a scandalous disgrace."

"The AFL is even trying to break up the Confederation of Labor of Latin America," said Foster. "This is the only important organization, except the Communist Party, which is protecting the people of Latin America."

Foster urged the Puerto Rican people to intensify their struggle for freedom from American imperialism. He said the Puerto Ricans must link their struggles with other Latin American peoples. Here in New York, he said, Puerto Ricans must work hand in hand with the Negro people and all oppressed groups in fighting reaction.

Union Sells Yule Trees

The Laundry Workers Joint Board played Santa Claus to hundreds of members by selling Christmas trees for \$1.10 each at its Harlem headquarters, 200 W. 135th St.

The trees were sold at farm prices, plus transportation, through an arrangement by the union with farmers from Jamaica, Vt. The farmers had complained that New York wholesalers had sought to squeeze them while the laundry workers in turn had protested that Christmas tree prices were too high.

The trees were sold at about half the price now charged in neighborhood stores.

Early next year, Simon said yesterday, the Joint Board will set up four depots in the metropolitan area at which the union will sell food at cost to its members. Plans are being made with the Eastern Wholesale Cooperative, he said.

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Charge Jurors Were Grilled In Strike Case

EUREKA, Calif., Dec. 21 (FP).—An explosive affidavit charging that jurymen who convicted two AFL strikers here last year were grilled in advance on their union beliefs is in the hands of the California Supreme Court.

The affidavit was signed by a former deputy sheriff of Humboldt County, who was fired for making the facts public. The affidavit states that before strikers in the 3-year walkout of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers against the redwood lumber mills were tried and convicted of violent action on the picketline, the ex-deputy was given a written questionnaire form and ordered to get answers from the jury panel.

Questions such as the following were included: "What is your opinion of labor unions? What is your opinion of the sheriff's office and the district attorney's office? What is your attitude toward violence due to picketing and strikes?"

One member interviewed by the former deputy sheriff was called as a juror and served as foreman of the jury which convicted two strikers, John Bundie and William Phillips, whose appeal is now before the supreme court.

The ex-deputy, whose name is being withheld, said that when he turned in his questionnaires he was told the matter was "extremely confidential" and that the purpose of the investigation was to find out whether the veniremen would be favorable to the union or to the employers.

Now It's Tulipburgers

MILWAUKEE (UP).—The John Drees family thought the hamburger sandwiches with sliced onion tasted a little odd, but no comment was made. The next morning Mrs. Drees discovered she had sliced up some of her husband's tulip bulbs instead of the onions.

'Gung Ho' Chapter of B'klyn AVC Backs Gerson Right to Seat

Councilman-designate Simon W. Gerson's right to a seat in the City Council is being supported by Brooklyn's Gung Ho chapter of the American Veterans Committee, it was announced yesterday. Noting that attacks on the civil rights of minority groups

represent a threat to the rights of all Americans, the veterans at their last meeting rapped "the serious campaign . . . to deny a seat in the City Council" to Gerson.

Their resolution pointed out that Gerson was duly chosen by his party to fill the vacancy created by the death of Peter V. Cacchione and stated that "over 75,000 Brooklyn residents will in effect be denied their franchise if Mr. Gerson is not seated."

In a letter published Friday in the N. Y. Times, Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., urged "prompt, favorable action by the Council majority" in approving the selection of Simon W. Gerson for the seat of the late Peter V. Cacchione.

Davis lauded the Times for its stand supporting the seating of Gerson and opposing any "legal quibble" designed to deprive the Communist Party of its right to name a successor to its duly elected

councilman. This legal quibbling, Davis said, marked the position taken by Councilman Louis Goldberg of the Liberal Party in a letter recently to the Times.

"In the given circumstances, to deny Councilman Cacchione's seat to his duly designated successor, Simon W. Gerson, is to deny due representation to 75,000 Brooklynites who elected the late Peter V. Cacchione to office as a Communist," Davis wrote.

HITS STALLING TACTICS

"I venture to say that it will be so viewed even by the members of Mr. Goldberg's own minority party, the Liberal Party," he said.

Davis also criticized the stalling tactics being used by the Council majority in preventing the designation of Gerson from coming to a decision. He termed that another way of "circumventing the will of the electorate." The only "normal

democratic procedure," Davis concluded, was to seat Gerson promptly.

In City Hall it was admitted that letters, postcards and telegram insisting on the seating of Gerson were being received daily.

ALP Asks Ed. Board Reinstall Rubin

The American Labor Party yesterday urged the Board of Education to reinstate with back pay Isadore Rubin, suspended teacher who will be tried Jan. 6 on charges of "conduct unbecoming a teacher." The charges grew out of a picketing incident during the recent Brooklyn Trust Co. strike.

"The real and only issue in this case is the right of a teacher to picket," said Arthur Schutzer, state executive secretary of the ALP.

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Truman Proposes American Czar Over Western Europe

(Reprinted from late edition of The Worker)

By Max Gordon

WASHINGTON.—The U.S. proposes to set up an economic "gauleiter" for Europe under the Marshall Plan, who will supervise the economies of the 16 European nations participating in the Plan. A bill spelling out the plan, submitted to Congress by the Administration Friday with a covering message from President Truman, proposes that \$17,000,000,000 be appropriated over a four-year period to be turned over to the 16 outright grants or loans.

nations and Western Germany, either in An addition four billion is to be gotten from other nations of the western hemisphere and from international lending agencies.

The program is to be administered by a \$20,000-a-year "Economic Cooperation Administrator" to be taken from the ranks of big business, a U. S. representative to the 16 nations with the rank of ambassador, and a network of economic officials in the American embassies of all participating nations.

Each participating nation must pledge to live up to the conditions laid down in the plan, which include turning over to the U. S. scarce raw materials from its colonies and territory for stock-piling here, transmitting regular quarterly reports to the U. S. covering use of commodities and moneys received, and furnishing to the U. S., on request, whatever information it considers relevant.

The "Economic Cooperation Administrator" is given wide latitude in determining what goods and funds should be sent to which country, whether they should be loans or grants and many similar questions which will have a vital bearing on the economic lives of the nations involved.

POLITICAL AIM

In his message to Congress, President Truman made no bones about the fact that the political factor is the primary one in the "European Recovery Program."

"Our deepest concern with European recovery, however, is that it is essential to the maintenance of the civilization in which the American way of life is rooted," he declared.

A State Department memorandum which accompanied the message was even more blunt in declaring alleged humanitarian and economic motives secondary.

While these factors are important, the memorandum said, "the principal reason for wanting an economically stable Europe is that it is a prerequisite to the maintenance of the civilization in which the American way of life is rooted. This reason is the controlling one and the one which must determine whether the United States is to embark on a program of aid. . . ."

Truman noted in his message that for the first year-and-a-half after the war's end, the people of Western Europe "made

remarkable progress" toward economic recovery.

This was the period during which Communists served in the cabinets of these nations and there was a unified effort among various sections of the population to dig out of the ruins of war.

It was clear by last spring, Truman maintained, that Europe had received sufficient political and economic stability "to make plans for an overall plan for recovery."

It was then that the Truman Doctrine was projected, declaring war on Communists in all nations, dividing the peoples of Europe and disrupting their economic efforts.

The message applies the Taft-Hartley philosophy to the struggles of labor in Europe.

"There will unquestionably be further incitement to strike," Truman told Congress, "not for the purpose of redressing the legitimate grievances of particular groups, but for the purpose of bringing chaos in the hope that it will pave the way for totalitarian control."

The bill imposes eight conditions upon all nations that may want to participate in the plan. Those already in can be booted out whenever the Administrator feels they are not living up to those conditions. They are:

1. Promoting industrial and agricultural production.
2. Taking measures to stabilize currency and restore confidence in their monetary systems.
3. Cooperating with other participating nations in trade, including lowering of trade barriers.
4. Making efficient use of the resources of each participating country.
5. Facilitating the sale to the U. S. of scarce raw materials.
6. Setting up a special account in native currency for all goods received free from the U. S., the currency fund to be used for purposes agreed upon jointly by the U. S. and the country involved.
7. Full quarterly statements to be transmitted to the U. S.
8. All economic data furnished "promptly" to the U. S. on request.

Most of these conditions contain important political jokers. For instance, number 4 is the provision by which the participating nations bow to U. S. insistence on rebuilding German industry as the

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The World of Labor

We May Yet Have a Real 1948 Campaign

By George Morris

THANKS TO THE Progressive Citizens of America and its move to put Henry Wallace forward for the Presidency, trade unionists are beginning to discuss the real issue. Until now we argued whether Truman, Dewey, Vandenberg, Stassen, MacArthur, Marshall, Taft or some other one like them would make a nice President. In fact, as those who are close to things know, we really didn't argue much. I have yet to see a hot argument in a trade union hall over preference among the above mentioned gentlemen.

Experience since Roosevelt's death has made many of our unionists a little bit cynical about their democratic right to pick any nominee of Big Business who looks good to them. The issue now is: "Do you want an exponent of imperialism and war in the White House or do you want one who will express and revitalize the peoples' coalition that backed Roosevelt?"

As was expected, those who have been working for Truman but felt it inopportune to offer him in public, were forced to show their hand. Wallace is out to elect a Republican, he is following the "Moscow" line, he is "blackmailing" the administration, etc., etc., was the way Alex Rose, secretary of Dave Dubinsky's Liberal Party greeted the PCA announcement.



PRESIDENT JACOB POTOFKY of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers was more cautious. But by inference he gave no choice to his members but support for Truman. He said members of the ACW oppose a "third party" in 1948 and "reaffirm the position of the CIO" against a third party.

The trouble with these people is they think they'll be able to paint Truman up as a liberal. They did not learn from 1946 when all their shouting and screaming did not pull millions of workers to the polling places who would have defied the worst rainstorm to cast a ballot for FDR.

People are sick and tired of the phony excitement that is being whipped up on whether a 100 percent reactionary or a 99 percent reactionary should be elected. Even those who do go for a "lesser evil" want a much more substantial margin of difference between the candidates.

ALL THE MONEY in the PAC or the AFL's Political and Educational League won't drag the most intelligent voters to the polls or to do any campaigning if the choice is between a Truman and a Dewey. You don't have to take my word for it. Talk to progressive labor leaders. They are based on unions in which a relatively higher percentage of the membership is active. They'll tell you that a team of horses couldn't drag people into a committee to work for Truman. Why should they work for Truman? Because he invoked a gestapo-like "loyalty purge?" For his wild Hitler-like drive to put the whole world on the Greek pattern? Should they take his Taft-Hartley veto message more seriously than the work of his appointed boss over the NLRB, Robert F. Denham?

A GREAT SECTION of the working class is indifferent to the choice between a Truman and Dewey. Such an alternative would only result in the kind of political apathy that elected Hoover in 1928. The influence of America's most progressive voters would not be felt in the election. The negative effect will be most seriously felt in the congressional elections where much could be done despite the reactionary grip on both major parties. Wallace will draw millions to the polls and influence the outcome in many states and congressional districts.

But the bankruptcy of opponents to Wallace is best revealed by their first reaction. Instead of pressuring the Democrats to dump Truman and get a candidate they could sell to workers, they pulled out their red brush.

ONE POINT ought to be clearly established for the record. The CIO officially has NOT voted against nor for a third party or third ticket, nor has it tied itself to the Democratic Party. Yes, I know that Philip Murray and others have often expressed themselves against a third party. But they have obviously found it unpopular to put this into an official resolution.

The resolution passed at the Boston convention condemned the "dominant Republican" groups who were "in some instances joined by a majority of the Democratic members of Congress." The resolution specifically barred "subservience to any political party" and called for "free, independent, unbossed political action."

Where there is unanimous opinion, it does no harm to regard a statement by Murray as the stand of the CIO. But when the difference exists, it is best to be guided strictly by the words in convention resolutions. Incidentally, the same ought to be the rule on the CIO's foreign policy resolution.

Tenn. AFL Starts Registration Drive

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 21. (FP).—An all-out campaign to insure registration of the quarter million AFL members in this state to make labor's full strength felt in 1948 was voted here by the Tennessee Federation of Labor executive council.

Although the federation has not yet announced which candidates it will support, it is expected to concentrate on helping Rep. Estes Kefauver (D) unseat Sen. Tom Stewart (D), whose post he will contest.

All's Not Peaches

ATLANTA, Ga., (UP).—U. S. Department of Agriculture figures show that Georgia farmers have

the fourth lowest per capita income of any farm group in the nation. Farmers' income per year in Georgia averages \$306—slightly more than one third the national farm income per capita.

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Latins Rap U. S. Trade Monopoly

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 21 (ALN).—Latin American workers are unqually opposed to the proposed removal of all inter-American trade and investment barriers, Pres. Vicente Lombardo Toledano of the Latin American Federation of Labor (CTAL) advised members of the international conference on trade and employment at Havana, Cuba. The Havana conferees are discussing a U. S. sponsored proposal, commonly referred to as the Clayton plan, which provides for removal of such barriers.

"In practice," Lombardo said in his message, "the Clayton plan proposes the invasion of international markets with products of U. S. industry; the crippling of growing industry in weaker nations which are unable to resist the competition

of U. S. products; the consequent destruction of industrialization in the smaller nations and their reduction to the status of suppliers of raw materials at low prices for the use of monopoly.

"Further, the Clayton plan seeks a permanent stranglehold by asking for liberty of investment for foreign capital in industrially weak countries, subject to no restrictive conditions or controls."

FIGHTING WITH LABOR against the Clayton plan is a group of Mexican and other Latin American industrialists who openly express the fear that they cannot compete with U. S. mass production methods. At the Havana conference, the viewpoint of a broad cross-section of Mexico's population was pre-

sented by Mexican delegate Prof. Manuel German Parra, sub-secretary of economics in the Mexican government.

"The industrialized countries," he said, "are pressured by the necessity of exporting the excess of their production or eventually they will find themselves in a crisis of overproduction and unemployment worse than that of two decades ago. On the other hand, the industrially weak nations are fighting to raise their industrial level to better the living conditions of their people."

"The reduction of tariffs means the destruction of our existing industries. This will lead to unemployment of our people and inability to buy any products. The result will be depression and unemployment in all nations."

Haganah Rallies Tomorrow

Moshe Shertok, head of the Political Division of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, will be principal speaker at twin mass rallies for Haganah to be held in Manhattan and Brooklyn tomorrow evening (Tuesday) it was announced by Americans for Haganah, the organization sponsoring the meeting.

Other speakers will include Theodore Kollek, senior officer of Haganah who has just arrived from Palestine, Abraham Feinberg, president of Americans for Haganah, and Helen Warren, actress and member of Haganah.

Admission will be free to both meetings. The New York rally will take place in the Grand Ballroom, Manhattan Center, 8th Avenue and 34th Street, 8:30 p.m. The Brooklyn rally, at the Academy of Music, Lafayette Avenue and Fulton Street, will start at 9 p.m.

Mark Hellinger Dies Of Heart Attack

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21 (UP).—Mark Hellinger, 44, newspaperman, short story writer and motion picture producer, died early today in the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital.

Hellinger, one of the nation's best-known newspaper columnists, died of a heart attack less than two hours after entering the hospital.

Celebrate Stalin's 68th Birthday

MOSCOW, Dec. 21 (UP).—Premier Joseph Stalin was 68 today.

The streets of Moscow were bedecked with banners and flags, while searchlights played across the sky last night. These were for the municipal elections, which coincided with Stalin's birthday this year.

Wording on most of the banners praised Stalin's leadership.

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VIRGIL—Hot Stuff



By Len Kleis

Ford Local to Vote on T-H

DETROIT, Dec. 20.—Ford local 600's membership of 65,000 will vote on compliance with the Taft-Hartley Act in January.

Bohn Aluminum Local 208, UAW, with only one abstention, has voted to have no part of the act. The membership of Plymouth local 51, is almost unanimous in its stand opposing the signing of affidavits.

Sentiment for a referendum developed after Thomas Thompson, president of the Ford local recommended to the General Council that the local comply. The vote was 95 to 65 for complying.

A plantwide committee to combat the Taft-Hartley Act has sprung up with Percy Llewellyn, former regional director on the West Side of Detroit, as chairman.



MRS. LAWRENCE KUNIN, of Los Angeles, is comforted by her husband as she weeps during the inquest into the death of her daughter, Denise. The child, 2, was said to have died from injuries caused by a fall from a baby bath.

In the Negro Press

By John Hudson Jones

THE OHIO STATE NEWS has no enthusiasm for Mrs. Roosevelt's "World Bill of Rights" presented to the UN Commission on Human Rights at Geneva. "We have heard them all before. We would much rather see the honest implementation of one or two of them than read the list of them all. To us the document is merely another expression of a national hypocrisy."

The News' Deskman thinks the Russian proposal to make bias an international crime was okay. He agrees with the Russians "in claiming the U. S. objection to the proposal as being based on the desire to keep the way open for discrimination against Negroes."

THE BOSTON CHRONICLE attacks U. S. Attorney General Tom Clark "who finds it impossible to name and indict real subversives like the lynchers who murdered two Negro veterans and their wives in Monroe, Georgia" but has now issued a "list of 'subversive' organizations."

The Chronicle says that when Clark listed the Communist Party with the Klan "this is of the same stripe as equating the Soviet Union with Nazi Germany. . . . That way fascism lies, that is the path for its infiltration into our own government."

The Chronicle also feels that that when Clark listed the former National Negro Congress, the Southern Negro Youth Congress and the United Negro and Allied Veterans, "the suspicion is irresistible that hence forth any Negro or white American who is a militant foe of Jimcrowsm will be deemed 'subversive'."

THE NEW YORK AGE which has been running for cover for

quite a while speeds up with a "Bravo" to the Daily News, for its "well chosen words" on the recent Russian proposal to outlaw racial discrimination. The News argued that Negroes are better off in America than say, as the Age puts it in "the totalitarian system of government which exists in Russia."

THE MICHIGAN CHRONICLE printers are on strike. The paper says in its photo-off set issue, "We did not sponsor the Taft-Hartley law but since it is the law, it must be respected." The Chronicle which has been crawling before President Truman, says the T-H law "might never have been enacted had the labor leadership relied more on brains than brute force."

THE PITTSBURGH COURIER columnist George Schuyler as usual is red-baiting. This time he throws his slime on Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois and Earl Dickerson for preparing the petition to the United Nations for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Exposing the oppression of the Negro people in America is all a Communist plot that is "biased and distorted" according to Schuyler.

THE PEOPLE'S VOICE is heading for the Truman bandwagon. It attacks Mrs. Roosevelt's stand on the UN outlawing bias by tooting a rather tinny horn for the President who it claims "has repeatedly urged the Congress to adopt legislation that would outlaw the poll tax . . . make lynching a crime . . . and create a fair employment practices act."

Auto Prices Up 100%, Output Is Restricted

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Dec. 21.—Auto manufacturers are doing little to ease the car shortage because cars are now being sold to the American people at prices (including the various declared gouges) at least 100 percent above prewar levels. The auto companies are getting wholesale prices more than 60 percent above prewar prices on 1947 cars.

This is why the auto barons have not raised a commotion over the steel shortage which is the real cause of short output from auto assembly lines.

Steel companies enjoying boom markets and sky high profits have refused to dig into corporate funds for the new equipment called for to produce all the steel needed by other America industries. The steel barons ask, "Why sink money into

equipment for more production which will begin operation at about the time the next depression knocks the bottom out of the steel market?"

With the auto industry short of steel, millions of Americans continue to drive their pre-war jalopies. Slowdown charges have been refuted by union figures. The UAW-CIO Research Report for October, 1947, shows that worker productivity is up considerably above 1941 levels . . . 20.3 percent in September.

Production allowing for the record output of trucks and repair parts, is 12 percent above the highest 1941 levels.

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AS the days begin getting longer this week kiddies in families belonging to the International Workers Order are talking of the fun they will have at their camps in the coming summer. And Papa and Mama are making dates for their annual medical check ups at the Order's medical offices at 80 Fifth Avenue, shown on this page.

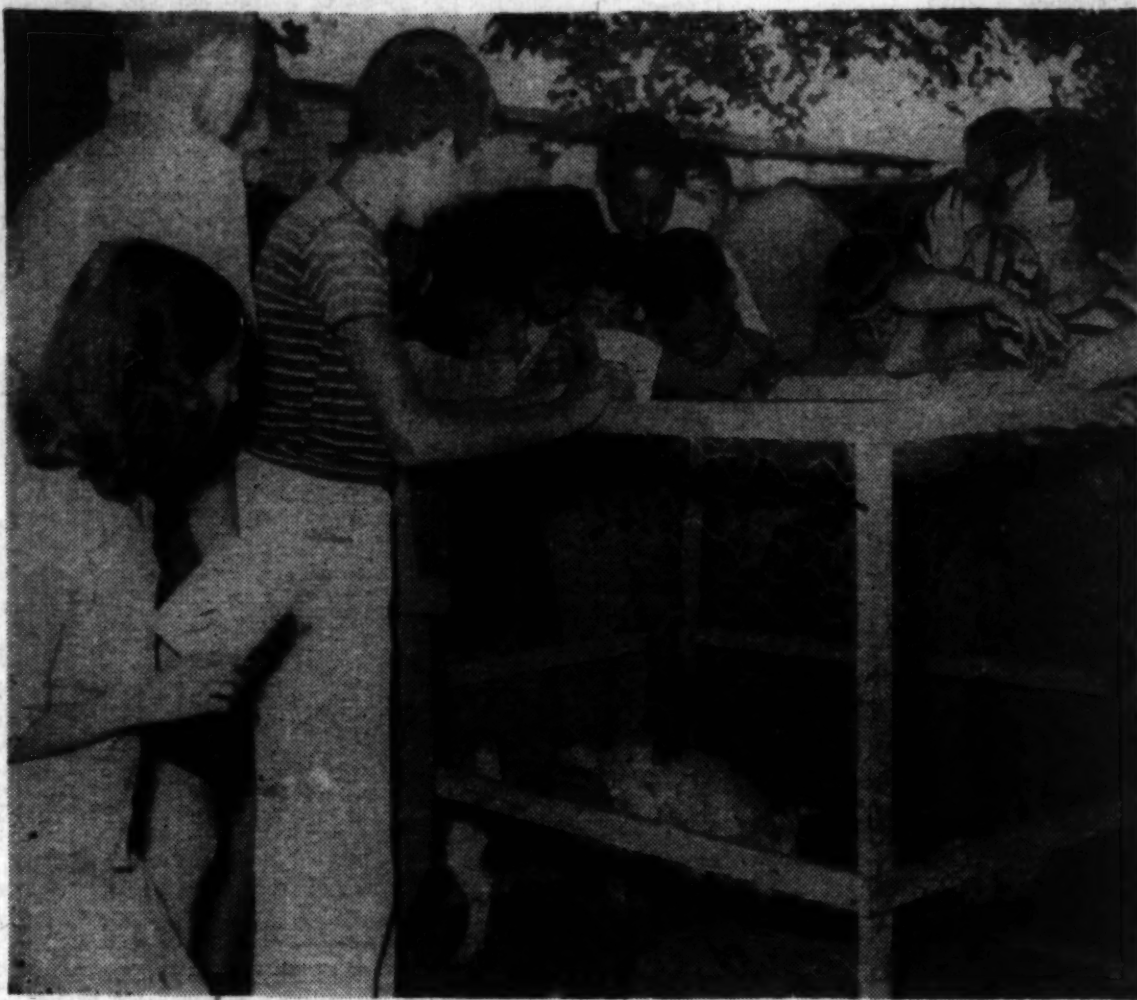
The IWO is still just a teen-ager—not quite 18 years old as yet. But its 188,000 members already carry \$135,000,000 in insurance, and widows and orphans have collected \$11,000,000 in benefits.

Dentists and chest expert and aid to cancer victims is furnished to IWO members, and legal advice as well.

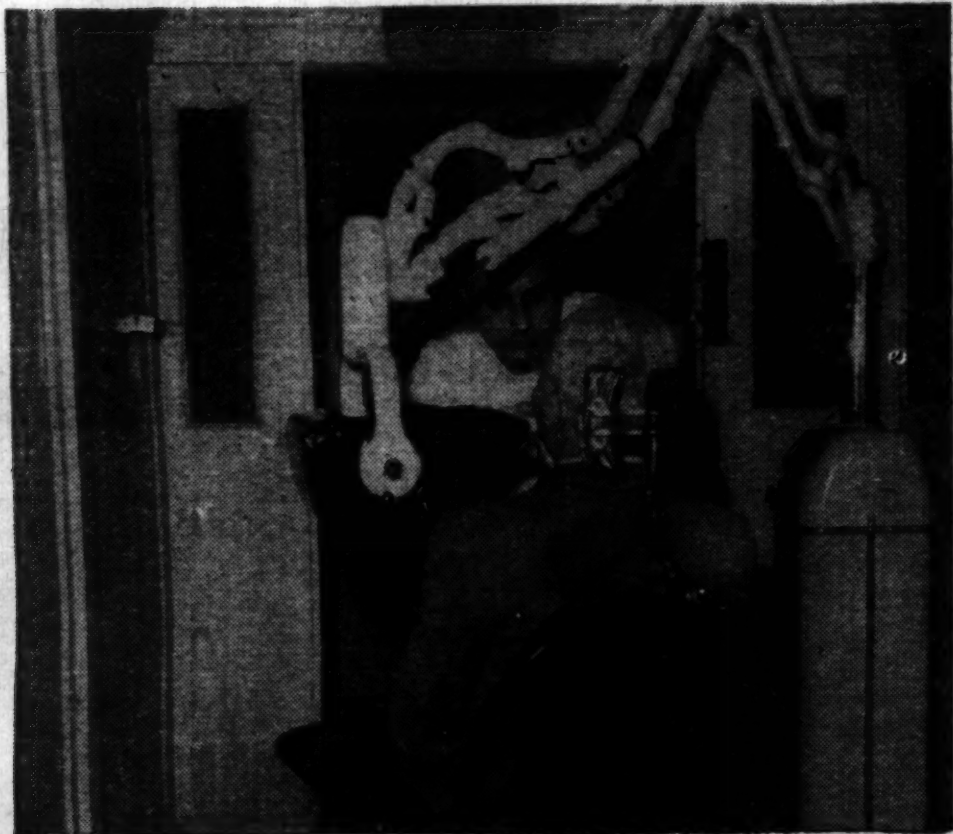
Free social advice is also furnished IWO members on finances, domestic and marital relations, child care, mental care, veterans' aid, etc., through the Workers Personal Service Bureau.

"The doors of the IWO," says its Declaration of Principles, "are open to all regardless of sex, nationality, race, color, creed or political affiliation." . . .

"As an American organization the IWO accepts responsibility for the defense of the democratic institutions of our country. . . . Everywhere and at all times the IWO shall make itself a defender of the liberties of the people. . . ."



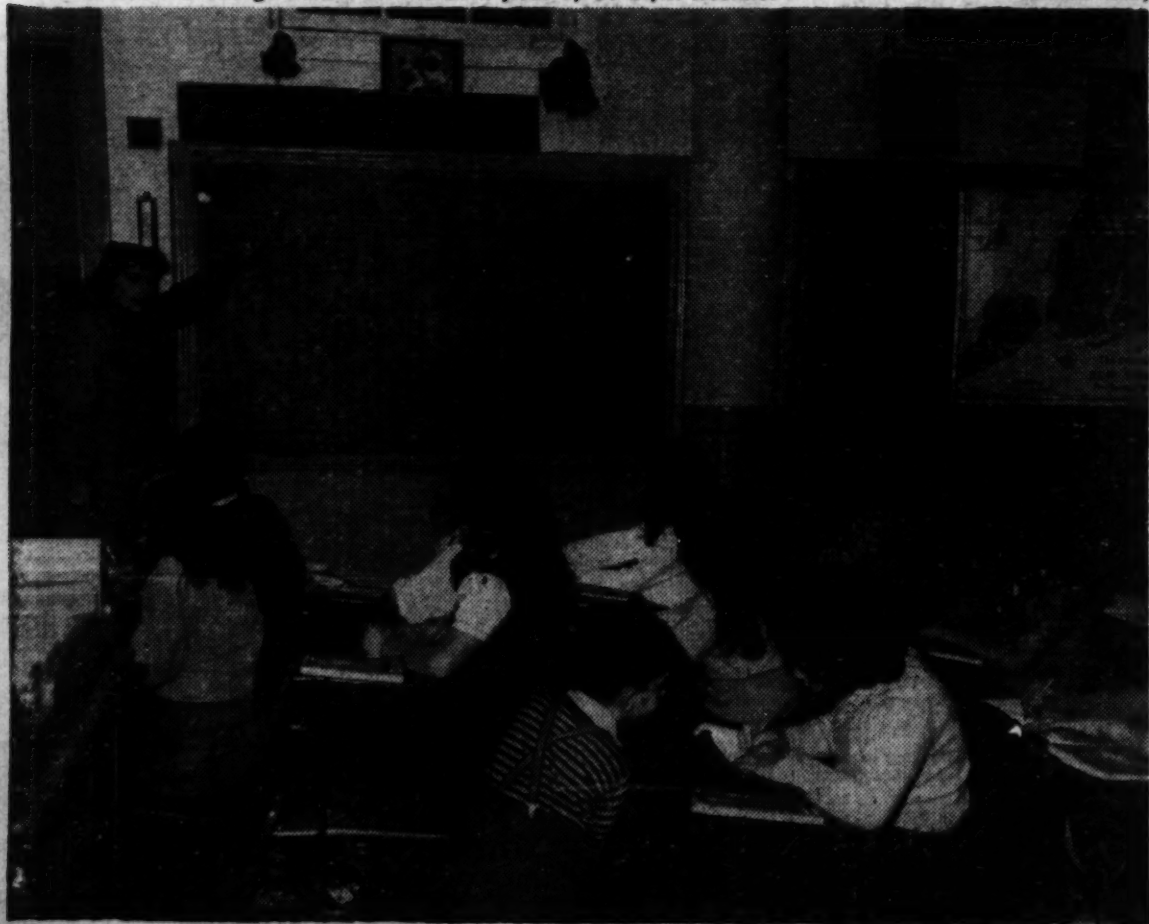
YOUNG AMERICANS were enjoying some of the "wild life" at the IWO's Camp Kinderland.



WORKERS get elaborate physical examinations in the offices of Dr. Sidney Russell and Dr. George Lerner on the 18th floor of 80 Fifth Avenue.



PAUL ROBESON, an old IWO camp fan, was visiting his friends at Camp Kinderland, when this photo was snapped last summer.



JEWISH CHILDREN studying the history and culture and the language of the Jewish people at 100 schools maintained by the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, IWO.

Press Roundup

The TIMES' C. L. Sulzberger sees a "a firm recovery program" underway in the Soviet Union—despite the paper's front page story on present Russian living standards. In that story, incidentally, the Times undertakes to "compare" availability of consumer goods in Russia, the most war-ravaged country, with the situation in the U. S., the only country that increased its wealth during World War II. In the editorial section, however, Sulzberger predicts a long period of constantly rising production ahead for the USSR.

The HERALD TRIBUNE criticizes this paper's Joseph Starobin for, what it terms, his "back-to-Roosevelt policy of appeasement." These days, it appears, that even standing by Roosevelt's policies becomes "appeasement."

The JOURNAL - AMERICAN's Karl Von Wiegand echoes the same thought. He blasts "the unrealistic Roosevelt, New Deal

school of belief in cooperation with Soviet Russia." He calls for immediate "negotiation of separate peace treaties with Germany and Austria."

The DAILY NEWS also jumps in with both feet to hit cooperation with Russia, calling it "a pet measure of Democratic President Franklin D. Roosevelt's." The News believe one of Roosevelt's most horrible acts was to afford lend-lease aid to a gallant ally who lost more than men than any other country during World War II and, through its courageous stand, saved countless American lives.

The financial section adds a cheerful Christmas note for users of oil-burners who fear a cold winter. It reports that profits for 17 petroleum companies "rose 60 percent to \$278,389,535 from \$174,208,632." The same report notes that profits of 247 corporations hit record levels for the first nine months of 1947.

President—Benjamin J. Davis, Jr.; Secretary-Treas.—Howard Boldt
John Gates Editor
Milton Howard Associate Editor
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New York, Monday, December 22, 1947

Not Recovery—But 'Cold War'

BOTH PRESIDENT TRUMAN and Secretary Marshall gave the show away on their so-called "relief" program.

They both admitted at long last, that the plan to ship a half billion dollars now to certain European countries and to provide about 17 billion more within the next four years is a plan for political warfare. The plan has nothing to do with either relief or economic recovery as these words are ordinarily understood in the English language.

If it were a relief plan it would feed those who were the hungriest; it would ship supplies and machines to those nations which had recently suffered the most destruction at the hands of the common enemy, Germany.

If it were a genuine recovery plan it would help provide loans, credits, and machinery to those nations which were proving themselves to be the most self-reliant in rebuilding their industries.

That is to say, if the Truman-Marshall plan were what its liberal salesmen say it is, it would not make Germany the Number One priority for relief and recovery; it would now be providing loans to Poland, Britain, Russia, Czechoslovakia, etc., with the purpose of making these nations independent of German steel and coal production through the building up of their own industries.

And above all, it would be sending American grain and food on the basis of need and not on the basis of a "cold war" in which our bread becomes a weapon as surely as the bullets which are accompanying it, as in Greece and China.

SECRETARY MARSHALL tried his hardest to keep from the nation the truth about the London Conference failure. He said it was over reparations. His argument was that Russia's demand for reparations would "drain" that pathetic nation. "We put in and Russia takes out" was the way he expressed it.

Yet the fact is very different. The Soviet Union had proposed that German production be increased to 70 percent of pre-war levels, and that the ten billions in reparations which it asked for could easily come from that level when allocated over a period of years. The Germans destroyed a hundred times more than ten billion in the Ukraine.

The real reason for the rejection of Russia's modest and just request for reparations was that if Marshall accepted it he would also have to fulfill the earlier Potsdam-Yalta agreements which Roosevelt had made for joint Big-Four control of the Ruhr.

And the one thing that the Truman-Dulles-Hoover-Vandenberg policy is aimed at is to smash the idea of joint control of Germany's war industry and replace it with unilateral Wall Street control.

THE "ISSUE IS CLEAR" said Truman and Marshall. And they defined the issue as follows: they generously want recovery, but the Russians spitefully and wickedly don't for the sake of "chaos and revolution."

But if Truman and Marshall are merely aiming at economic recovery why is it that the amazing industrial and agricultural advances in Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, etc. appear to them as a menace to be halted at all costs?

If it is only recovery that is aimed at, then why does the Truman-Marshall plan call for the raiding of Europe's supplies of crucial metals including all atomic materials?

Why will Europe have to submit to an economic dictator from Washington? Why will all recipients of "aid" have to open their markets to American products at prices which will ruin the native industry?

Why will each country have to set aside its own currency to pay for the "relief" and this currency used as a war fund against democracy and Socialism dictated by a State Department czar stationed in that country?

The "recovery" which this plan aims at is not economic. It is the political revival of the German trusts, the old capitalist cliques, the old political reactionaries. It is the defense of capitalist profit, against the need and demand of Europe for a democratic and Socialist recovery, which is the heart of the plan.

It will not be long before this "cold war," allegedly aimed only at European progress, will unleash its guns against the American people at home. A drastic attack on the living standards of the American people is now rapidly on the way. This too is part of the Truman-Marshall plan.

PIG BUSINESS



Letters from Our Readers

The First Refuge Of a Scoundrel

Cottage Grove, Oregon.

Editor, Daily Worker:

While I do not know exactly what a Communist is and so cannot enter Mr. Winchell's contest, may I try to define an anti-Communist?

Dr. Johnson is said to have remarked at one time, "Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel." And, judging by many on the list of anti-Communists from Al Capone to Congressman O'Konski, it might be said: "anti-Communism is the first refuge of a scoundrel."

DONALD DeLONG.

Mr. Shur and The Royal Wedding

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I, too, have been reading the Daily Worker for quite some time and feel that Mr. Leonard Shur's criticism in the Dec. 10 Letters Column was ill-placed.

I do not think that the people working on the Daily Worker "be-grudge Princess Elizabeth's lavish wedding." Neither do I think that the Daily Worker would disagree with him when he says that "regardless of how poor a man is, he will go out to give his daughter the best wedding he possibly can." I'm sure that Elizabeth's father did just that.

But what are Elizabeth and that fellow from Greece to me to bother me with headlines, and long editorials, and radio speeches about their marriage vows? When I read about their wedding I wished them happiness as I would any other two young people, if I knew those people to be decent, honest—just nice kids.

But will all the lavishness of the wedding, and propaganda surrounding it help in any way to relieve the hunger that is threatening many Britishers?

What earthly usefulness does all that wedding ballyhoo serve?

As I see it, the purpose is to raise my respect for medieval traditions, for kingdoms; respect for richness of one family while poverty is suffered by others.

But that is the very opposite of what the Daily Worker has taught me to respect. I have learned to admire humbleness in one's life. I've learned to respect the common folk who produce all the wealth of our world. I've learned to look ahead to the future which spells democracy, education for

the illiterate, decent food and shelter for all.

And I thank the Daily Worker for turning my eyes to a world of energy, a world of struggle for peace, a world of brotherhood.

IRENE JEFFRI.

More on the Joe Louis Fight

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I think that it was an error for you to publish J. M. Shapiro's letter or sarcastic criticism of Lester Rodney, in the Dec. 17, issue, without some note in rebuttal.

I saw the fight and agreed with Bill Mardo's report of it. I and the people in my section of the Garden were disappointed in Joe Louis, but I am sure that two-thirds of us agreed with the decision. I also saw the moving pictures of the fight and once again my verdict was for Louis.

Walcott proved himself a brave contestant who could take a lot of punishment. If he were younger, I'd pick him to win in June, but, as it is, I'll choose Louis.

PAUL CROSBIE.

Ed. Note: I must disagree with my good friend Paul Crosbie on the advisability of printing the disparaging letter. Let the guy have his say. What the hell.—Lester Rodney.

Lauds "Keen" Review Of 'Capt. Boycott'

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In the review of *Captain Boycott*, Dec. 10 issue, Herb Tank's keen separation of the phony mask of liberalism from the ugly face of reaction was a classic piece of analysis.

For instance, take the scene that pictures the revolutionary school teacher as a coward inciting others to violence. On the surface it might appear as an indifferent characterization. Yet it contains the basis of a philosophy which could fill volumes. And that is, what is the true purpose of those noble few in our midst that agitate, lead and "incite mankind onward?"

Is it that he wants others to do his fighting? Is he a trouble-maker? Or is it because there are among us those who have felt and seen the rottenness of abuse and know that there is no better feeling under the sun than to see their fellow men gain freedom from those jungle laws that make criminals out of men.

In the days of Hollywood witch-hunts and the increasing use of the motion picture media to transmit fascist ideology under the disguise of entertainment, it is imperative to understand and expose these hidden tactics.

Let's have lots more movie reviews. MORRIS PELLY.

WRAPPING PRESENTS

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



MINNESOTA FARMER-LABOR DEMOS TO RUN WALLACE

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power of an independent progressive party."

Queens PCA Endorses Wallace

At its December meeting the Queens County Council of the PCA passed a resolution endorsing the national executive committee's Wallace bid. Of the 36 delegates present, 31 voted for the resolution and five abstained.

Wallace Urges Fight For Negro Rights

In response to an inquiry from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Wallace endorsed the recommendations of the President's Civil Rights Committee on Negro rights. He condemned both major parties for past failures to protect the rights of Negroes.

The President's committee report, Wallace said, "underestimated the number of lynchings. I have found at certain places in the South that there are murders now taking place which really should be classified as lynchings."

He urged "prompt action with regard to the First and 14th Amendments, for the purpose of ending Jimcrow, lynching and the poll tax, as well as to obtain a permanent FEPC."

Inquiries on the same subject sent last month by the NAACP to Robert A. Taft, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Joseph W. Martin, James F. Byrnes and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey are still unanswered.

Wallace Bid Spurs Calif. Progressives

Special to the Daily Worker
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—The bid to Henry Wallace to run for President on an independent ticket has caused a spurt in activity to organize a third party in this state.

Hugh Bryson, chairman of the organizing committee for the Independent Progressive Party of California, wired PCA a pledge that the committee would "do its utmost within the next few weeks to guarantee such a new party a place on the California ballot." The call to Wallace, Bryson continued, had won "almost unanimous approval of our campaign workers."

Robert W. Kenny, national co-

chairman of PCA, described the bid to Wallace as "consistent with the position taken all along by PCA—and that is that the people must have a choice."

Kenny, former state attorney general, has been heading a drive to win the California Democratic primary for Wallace. PCA's move, he said, "does not foreclose Wallace's right to run in Democratic primaries, but in at least 35 states an independent ticket is the only way he can run."

"A race between Truman and Taft," Kenny continued, "would be such a dull, spiritless thing that the voters would stay away in droves and the progressive candidates for Congress on the Democratic ticket would be defeated for sure."

"A small vote guarantees a Republican victory."

North California Bids Wallace Run

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Henry Wallace was urged today to run in the Democratic primaries and as an independent by the Northern California Board of Directors of the Progressive Citizens of America.

"We join in the request for Mr. Wallace to run next year," the PCA said in a statement issued following a Board meeting. "We fully agree that he should be an independent candidate. At the same time, we urge for California and other favorably situated states that Mr. Wallace be in the Democratic primaries."

"If the Democratic Party fails to nominate Wallace, we shall earnestly recommend to the Independent Progressive Party (of California) that it make Mr. Wallace its candidate."

The PC reaffirmed its non-partisan policy of supporting candidates on the basis of program and record, but pledged "renewed effort" to guarantee getting the IPP on the ballot to give Californians a chance to vote for Wallace.

Printers

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—are working hand and glove" local union president John Pilch told the packed meeting.

Pilch appealed to the commercial printers to make common cause with the striking newspaper types, declaring that "when the commercial contracts expire we're going to need all your assistance."

Included in the conditions of employment for the job shops are new proposed wage scales, \$102 per week for day workers and \$112 for night workers.

Commenting on the investigation on the printers' strike here by a Congressional subcommittee, appointed by Rep. Hartley, Pilch said, "We're being plagued some more."

The investigation opens tomorrow morning and international president Woodruff Randolph will be present, Pilch announced.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP).—The Commercial Typographical Union (AFL), deadlocked in wage negotiations with Washington newspaper publishers, decided today to ask international officers to authorize a strike vote among printers employed by the five local dailies.

The printers have been working without a contract since Nov. 11 under an agreement with publishers that any wage increases granted in a contract signed by Jan. 11 would be retroactive to the expiration date of the old accord.

NOTICE:

The Business Office of the Daily Worker will be closed on Thursday, Dec. 25 and on Thursday, Jan. 1. Please note, therefore, the following changes in deadlines which will be in effect for those two weeks only:

BUNDLES: Orders and changes for Sunday, Dec. 28 must be in no later than Wednesday, Dec. 24. Orders and changes for Sunday, Jan. 4 must be in no later than Wednesday, Dec. 31.

French

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workers and their enemies. I will do nothing to serve the workers' enemies."

COST OF LIVING RISES

New proposals of the government to lift price controls except on items needed by the large manufacturers is expected to result in a further zooming of the cost of living, wiping out the wage gains won in the recent strikes. This, together with the repressive anti-labor legislation confronts the French workers with grave problems and a new round of struggles.

But the workers' leaders are not pessimistic. As Cachin said "French unionists will not obey the criminal counsels of the splitters of the working class. The vast majority will remain with the CGT in which they have placed their confidence for 12 years. It is their best weapon. They know that still sharper struggles lie ahead. It is easy to see that the splitters are puppets of the people's enemies."

5c Fare

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ocratic Party, led by Mayor O'Dwyer as its main instrument. In Albany, it has the promised cooperation of Governor Dewey's party in the State Legislature.

The so-called "wage strategy" of certain TWU leaders call for tying the TWU and, if possible, other sections of labor and the people's forces to the higher fare kite. This kind of a "strategy" involves support of the political parties and forces fighting to raise the fare. It involves support of a reactionary political offensive against the people's interests.

Advocacy of a higher fare, despite what a few "leaders" may think, is in reality not a "wage strategy" at all. It does, however, threaten to become a strategy of political realignment, a bridge leading away from the labor-progressive movement and toward the forces of political reaction. It is to be hoped

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that certain leaders of TWU will stop short on this path. It can be said with assurance that irrespective of what certain "leaders" do, the militant and progressive workers of the transit industry will refuse in the long run to move down such a path.

KITCHEN KUES

POTATO CHEESE PUFF WITH CREAMED SALMON

- 2 Pounds potatoes, pared and diced
- 1 Medium onion, sliced
- 4 Tablespoons margarine
- 1/2 Teaspoon salt
- 1/2 Cup dry skim milk
- 1/2 Pound American cheese, grated

Cook potatoes and onion in boiling salted water until tender. Drain. Mash potatoes and onion, add margarine and salt. Sprinkle dry skim milk over top of potatoes. Beat until creamy and dry skim milk is well blended. Add cheese, mix well. Fill greased 8-inch pie plate with potato mixture, making a hollow in the center. Brush with malted butter or fat. Bake in hot oven (400 degrees Fahrenheit) 15 minutes or until top is lightly browned. Fill center with creamed salmon. Cut in wedge-shaped pieces.

SUGGESTION

This potato mixture may also be used as a stuffing for green peppers, or dropped from a tablespoon and baked as potato puffs.

Smeary Mahogany

Have you been confronted with that blue, smeary look on mahogany furniture and had trouble polishing it satisfactorily. Sponge it first with a cloth dipped in a solution of hot water and vinegar and then with a cloth dipped in a pint of hot warm water to which 1 teaspoon each linseed oil and turpentine have been added. Polish with a dry soft cloth and your smeary appearance will have turned to a nice gloss.

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MORNING

11:00-WNBC-Nora Drake
WJZ-Breakfast with Breneman
WOR-News; Prescott Robinson
WCBS-Arthur Godfrey
WNYC-At Your Command
WQXR-News; Alma Dettinger
11:15-WNBC-Katie's Daughter
WOR-Tello-Test
11:30-WNBC-Jack Berch
WOR-Heart's Desire
WJZ-Galen Drake
WCBS-Grand Slam
WNYC-United Nations
WQXR-Along the Danube
11:45-WNBC-Lora Lawton
WJZ-Ted Malone
WCBS-Rosemary
WQXR-Tom Scott

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-Rad Hall
WOR-Kate Smith
WJZ-Welcome Travelers
WCBS-Wendy Warren
WNYC-Midday Symphony
WQXR-News; Luncheon Concert
12:15-WNBC-Metropolitan News
WCBS-Aunt Jenny
12:30-WNBC-Brokenshire
WOR-News; Answer Man
WJZ-News; Nancy Craig
WCBS-Helen Trent
12:45-WNBC-Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
WOR-Luncheon at Sardi's
WJZ-H. R. Baukhage
WCBS-Big Sister
WNYC-Spotlight Varieties
WQXR-News; Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
WCBS-Ma Perkins
1:30-WOR-Listener Reports
WJZ-Galen Drake
WCBS-Dr. Malone
2:00-WNBC-Today's Children
WOR-Queen for a Day
WNYC-Weather; City News
WQXR-News; Program Favorites
WJZ-Maggi McNellis
WCBS-Second Mrs. Burton
2:10-WNYC-Accent on Opera
2:15-WNBC-Woman in White
WCBS-Perry Mason
2:30-WNBC-Holly Sloan
WOR-Daily Dilemmas
WJZ-Bride and Groom
WCBS-Look Your Best
WNYC-Symphonic Matinee
WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
2:40-WNBC-Betty Crocker
2:45-WNBC-Light of the World
WCBS-Rose of My Dreams
WQXR-Curtis and Freeman
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR-Barbara Welles
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WCBS-Dou ble or Nothing
WQXR-News; Recent Releases
3:15-WNBC-Ma Perkins
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
WOR-Song of the Stranger
WJZ-Paul Whiteman
WCBS-Art Linkletter
WNYC-United Nations
3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
WOR-Bob Reed
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
WOR-Ladies Man
WCBS-Hint Hunt
WQXR-News; Symphonic Matinee
4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas
4:25-WNBC-News Reports
4:30-WNBC-Lorenzo Jones
WOR-Rambling With Gambling
WJZ-Treasury Band
WCBS-Winner Take All
4:45-WNBC-Young Widder Brown
5:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries
WOR-Hop Harrigan
WJZ-Dick Tracy
WCBS-School of the Air
WNYC-Disk Date
WQXR-News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life

WOR-Superman
WJZ-Terry and Pirates
WQXR-Modern Rhythms
5:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill
WOR-Captain Midnight
WJZ-Sky King
WCBS-Hits and Misses
WQXR-Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC-Front Page Farrell
WOR-Tom Mix
WCBS-Lum 'n' Abner

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart
WOR-Lyle Van
WJZ-Gordon Fraser
WCBS-Eric Sevareid
WNYC-Music by Young People
WQXR-News; Music to Remember
6:15-WNBC-Bill Stern
WOR-On the Century
WJZ-Eitel and Albert
WCBS-In My Opinion
6:30-WNBC-Dick Liebert
6:35-WNBC-Jack Kitty
WOR-Fred Vandeventer
WJZ-Allen Prescott
WCBS-Red Barber
WNYC-Welfare Stories
WQXR-Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
WOR-Sian Lomax
WCBS-Lovell Thomas
WNYC-Weather; Aviation
7:00-WNBC-Supper Club
WOR-Fulton Lewis Jr.
WJZ-Headline Edition
WCBS-Mystery of the Week
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
WQXR-News; Concert Stage
7:15-WNBC-News of the World
WOR-Answer Man
WJZ-Elmer Davis
WCBS-Jack Smith
7:30-WNBC-Patterns in Melody
WOR-Henry J. Taylor
WJZ-Lene Ranger
WCBS-Club 15
WQXR-Jacques Fray
7:45-WNBC-H. V. Kaltenborn
WOR-Bill Brandt
WCBS-Edward R. Murrow
8:00-WNBC-Cavalcade of America
WOR-Scotland Yard
WJZ-Groche Marx
WCBS-Inner Sanctum
WNYC-Velvet and Gold
WQXR-News; Symphony Hall
8:30-WNBC-Kleanor Steber, Igor Gorin
WOR-Charlie Chan
WJZ-Ole Cates
WCBS-Arthur Godfrey
8:45-WMCA-Bert Andrews
8:55-WNBC-Bill Henry
WOR-Billy Rose
9:00-WNBC-Enzo Pinza-Basso
WOR-Gabriel Heatter
WJZ-On Stage America
WQXR-News; Concert Hall
WCBS-Radio Theatre
9:15-WOR-Real Stories
WNYC-Listener Talks Back
9:30-WNBC-Dr. I. Q.
WOR-High Adventure
WJZ-Sammy Kaye
WQXR-Design in Harmony
9:45-WNYC-News Reports
WQXR-Great Names
10:00-WNBC-Buddy Clark
WOR-Quiet, Please
WCBS-My Friend Irma
WQXR-News; Opera Preview
10:30-WNBC-Fred Waring
WOR-Symphonette
WJZ-Earl Godwin
WCBS-Screen Guild Players
WQXR-Showcase
11:00-WNBC, WOR-News; Music
WJZ, WCBS-News; Music
WQXR-News; Symphony Hour
12:00-WNBC, WJZ-News; Music
WCBS-News; Music
WQXR-News Reports

Life of the Party

The Lone Star Shines Bright

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

TEXAS, THE LONE STAR STATE, had two delegates at the Civil Rights Congress in Chicago recently. They were both tall and rangy, as Texans are supposed to be,

one Negro and one white—an oil worker, and a member of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union. They hailed from Waco and Laredo respectively, and had never met. I had the pleasure of introducing these brother Texans to each other. With a hearty handshake they sat down to exchange addresses and information.

Texas is the largest state in our country and larger than any country in Europe except the Soviet Union. It equals Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and Indiana combined. Its furthest borders are 1107 miles apart.

Deep in the heart of Texas not only the blue bonnet but progressive forces are growing.

LOOKING over our own sub-drive score board in last Sunday's Worker it is interesting to note that the Bronx holds its lead with 51.4 percent and Texas is next with 41.4 percent. Of course percentages are misleading because Texas had a quota of 350, and 145 obtained to date gives them that high percentage. Whereas Manhattan and Brooklyn have gotten over 1800 subs each of a total of 7500 quotas, but rate only 24 percent. How-

ever we do not underestimate our Texas Party's splendid accomplishment, considering the size of the organization and the territory they must cover.

I once heard a visiting Oklahoma comrade say of New York City. "If we had the people all piled up in one place like this instead of spread all over the map, we'd recruit them like nothing at all!"

RECENTLY JACK GREEN of Texas was here at a Party Builders' Conference and gave us some interesting data, especially on the youth ferment in Texas.

When Professor Rainey, who chaired Wallace's meeting at the University of Texas, and Professor Doble, a famous Texas writer, were fired recently, the students marched with a coffin, for civil liberties.

There is a chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the campus of the University of Texas, all white of course, since no Negroes are students there, which mobilized all campus organizations on behalf of a Negro vet, a postal worker, Herman Swett, who applied for admission. To keep him out required the building of a 3½ million dollar "equal institution."

THERE ARE a million Mexicans in Texas, and three and a half

million in the Southwest. Mexicans are also Jimcrowned out of restaurants, dances, etc. Recently the borders of Texas into Oklahoma and Arizona were closed to keep labor in Texas. Some unions down there run mixed dances with big name Negro orchestras. The authorities insist upon three ropes across the hall to divide Mexicans, Negroes, and whites. But before the dance is over the ropes go down, and the union practices what it preaches.

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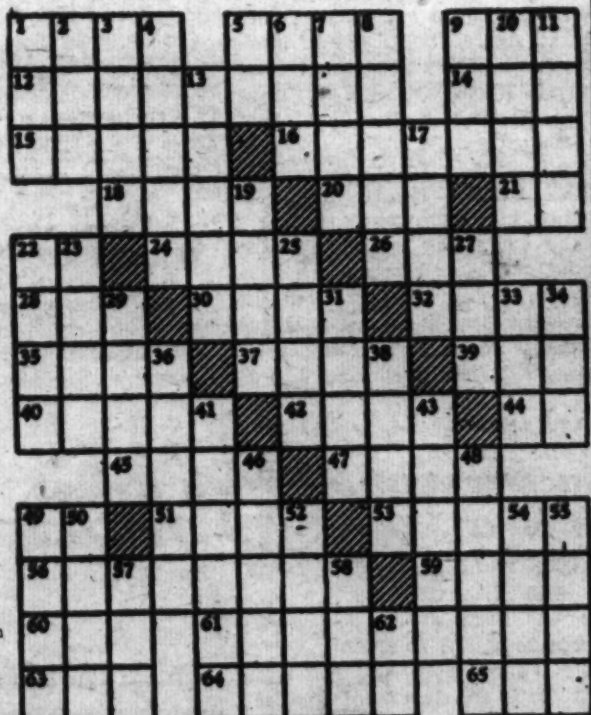
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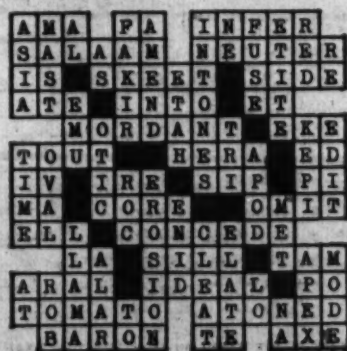
HORIZONTAL

- 1-War god
- 5-Too
- 9-Stratum
- 12-Pirate
- 14-Yellow bugle
- 15-Dumas character
- 16-Surveyor's instrument
- 18-To eject
- 20-Circle letter
- 21-Note of scale
- 22-Colloquial: father
- 24-River duck
- 26-Goddess of healing
- 28-Skill
- 30-Stepped
- 32-Learning
- 35-To find fault
- 37-Essence
- 39-Arc
- 40-Sign of the zodiac
- 42-Tidy
- 44-Archaic pronoun
- 45-Animal's feet
- 47-Smart
- 49-Bone
- 51-Sloping walk
- 53-Mends
- 56-American poet
- 59-To rant
- 60-And not
- 61-Removal of obstruction
- 63-Music: as written
- 64-Dye
- 65-To spread for drying



VERTICAL

- 1-Arabian garment
- 2-Ditch
- 3-Reverberation
- 4-To ridicule
- 5-Article
- 6-To allow
- 7-Withered
- 8-To harangue
- 9-Encore!
- 10-Wicked
- 11-Facts
- 13-Item of property
- 17-Metal spicule
- 19-Sailors
- 22-South American rodent
- 23-Sandrac tree
- 25-Diving bird
- 27-To steal from
- 29-Journey
- 31-Composition for two performers
- 33-Man's name
- 34-Female sheep
- 36-Frisky
- 38-Fat of swine
- 41-A sample of a fabric
- 43-Coronet
- 46-Grin
- 48-18th President
- 49-Possesses
- 50-Marksman
- 52-End of a hammer head
- 54-Agreeable
- 55-Winter vehicle
- 57-Babylonian deity
- 58-Sprinted
- 62-Sun god



Book Parade

Maurice Dobb's Excellent New Book 'Studies in Development of Capitalism'

By Ben Levine

MAURICE DOBB'S latest book, *Studies in the Development of Capitalism*, is a difficult book to read, but an excellent, and even a thrilling, book to study. What makes the volume so forbidding to a casual reader is that Prof. Dobb, who is a lecturer in economics at the University of Cambridge in England, presumes the reader knows Marx' Capital and Lenin's Imperialism, and also is acquainted with a good deal of the writings of bourgeois economists.

So the way to tackle this book is to go through it once to get the general theme, and then to read it

STUDIES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CAPITALISM, by Maurice Dobb. International Publishers, 396 pp. \$3.50.

more slowly a second time, with fourth readings for the more important chapters toward the end.

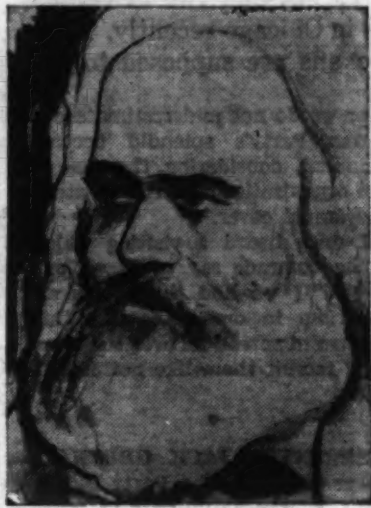
WHAT PROF. DOBB'S does is to take each period of social change and analyze not only the surface development but the new emerging production relationships. Thus, in his study of the decline of feudalism and the growth of the towns, he brings to the reader the fruit of extensive research not only into the growth of exchange and of the new merchant class, which ordinarily is taken as the decisive factor, but into the flight of serfs from manors, the efforts of the ruling class to enforce and even increase feudal services the consequent struggles of the peasantry, and the new labor relations that ensued.

In other words, the difficult task is undertaken of giving an all-sided picture of a great social change, with all its contradictions and violence. Instead of the smooth, "logical" presentation prevalent in the anemic writings of institutional economists.

The struggles to enforce monopolies in the mercantile era, in domestic and foreign trade, the struggles that accompanied the rise of industrial capital, and always the part played by the actual producers, the peasantry, the craftsmen, and the emerging proletariat, supply pages full of data and eminently satisfying for the serious reader.

Prof. Dobb's style is not facile, but he has his own way of achieving intensity. Just one example. In his analysis of the growth of the proletariat, Prof. Dobb concludes:

"This class, once it is begotten,



KARL MARX

has a very convenient quality which gives it an important advantage, as a permanent object of investment, over the other. The endowments of Nature are limited; mineral resources are exhaustible; usury, like leeches, is apt to bleed the source on which it feeds; even slave populations appear to have a tendency to die out. But a proletariat has the valuable quality, not merely of reproducing itself each generation, but (unless the present age prove an exception) of reproducing itself on an ever-expanding scale."

THE BOOK IS MOST INTERESTING in its concluding chapter, *The Period Between Two Wars*. There Prof. Dobb makes real additions to a Marxist analysis of imperialism. His discussion of "output rigidity" is scientific and carefully thought out. Here he seeks to prove that the inflexibility of modern plant structure heightens the contradiction between social production and private appropriation, and, together with other factors, such as a well organized working class, makes for a world in which increasingly the effort to maintain the capitalist system breeds ever greater crises and destructive upheavals while increasingly the people in all countries are forced to seek other ways out, ways that vary in different places but are all transition roads to socialism.

Music:

Copland's 'Third Symphony' Performed by Philharmonic

Aaron Copland's *Third Symphony*, which is now a year-old baby, was performed by George Szell and the New York Philharmonic on Dec. 18. It is a work of great stature; probably Copland's best piece of

music, and certainly his most ambitious. We have had many symphonies in recent years which were obviously written for prestige value. The composers didn't meet the noble demands of the form, and fell back on padding to make up for their lack of structural ideas. This work by contrast is all music. Its limitations are those of the composer's personality, not talent.

The first of the four movements is mellow and autumnal, reminiscent of "Appalachian Spring" but not as sweet. Second is a driving, brilliant, mechanistic scherzo. This is followed by a wistful slow movement, in which the instrumentation is almost that of a chamber orchestra, with some hauntingly beautiful interplay of strings and wood-winds.

The last movement opens with a brilliant fanfare, which is developed in a brilliant, mechanistic counterpoint like the scherzo. After this

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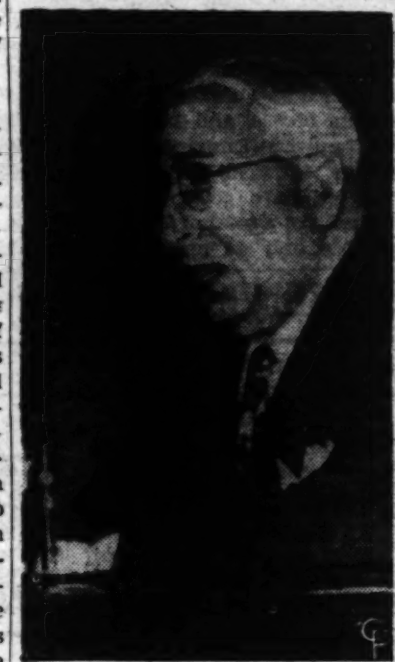
MGM, Nazis Billy the Kid And Gay Paree

By David Platt

THE next attraction at the Little Carnegie Theatre following *Nicholas Nickleby*, is a revival of M-G-M's anti-Soviet film *Ninotchka*... Ernest Lubitsch who directed it was once a member of the German UFA studio... This studio was subsidized for years by the German Government and by magnates such as Hugo Stinnes and industrial firms such as Krupp and I. G. Farben—financiers of the Hitler gang... When the big Nazi Alfred Hugenberg became head of UFA, one of his biggest backers who subsidized him to the tune of \$4,000,000 was... Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer...

MORE THAN fifty percent of all Hollywood films are 'westerns.' Most of the plots for these horse-operas are out of this world... There was one by Tom Mix a few years ago in which the cowboy hero jumped his horse clear across the Grand Canyon of the Colorado... But sometimes the truth about the 'far west' is so much more incredible than the fantastic fiction, producers of westerns hesitate to use it on the screen on the ground it would not be believed by 'western' fans...

For instance when Metro made *Billy the Kid* in 1941, screen-writer Wanda Tuchock eliminated the



LOUIS B. MAYER
his studio linked with Nazis... following scene from her script... it sounded too unbelievable...

A State Marshall, under attack from two bandits fortified in a shack, cut the halter-ropes of one of their horses nearby... tied the animal to the only door of the shack with bullets... and killed the horse in such a way that his fallen carcass jammed the door of the shack and made escape from it impossible... Reliable witnesses testified that that's precisely how Billy the kid was first captured... Oh! well...

Speaking of fantastic plots, Vladimir Pozner, the French novelist, wants to know how much longer Hollywood is going to picture Frenchmen with whiskers and berets, and French women with peasant kerchiefs over their hair... For years, he says, our films have presented Paris and France as a huge place... made of artists' studios and night clubs and a "sidewalk cafe where one stops on the way from Paris to Monte Carlo... to the wilderness populated by the foreign legion... to a mysterious continent known as Devil's Island and presumably deserted, considering the high rate of successful escapes"...

Millions of Frenchmen go to the movies, says Pozner, "and the France they see on the screen is not the France they know."

That goes double for the moviegoers of this country. The America we see on the screen is not the America we know, or for that matter the America anybody knows.

Today's Film:

'Great Glinka' At the Stanley



MIKHAIL GLINKA at work on his opera "Ivan Susanin." Boris Chirkov portrays the Russian composer in the Soviet film biography "The Great Glinka" coming to the Stanley Saturday.

By Herb Tank

THE GREAT GLINKA, the new Soviet film that arrived at the Stanley Saturday, is a massive film biography that draws its strength and vitality from Glinka's struggle to compose truly national Russian music.

Like the recent French film biography of Berlioz *The Great Glinka* covers a life time of experience and tends to be episodic in form. Unlike the French film, and the many other conventional film biographies of composers, *The Great Glinka* does not concentrate on romance for its story. Romantic interludes, fortunately become secondary, and the film centers its interest on the battle that Glinka fought to foot his music in folk sources, and to force the acceptance of Russian national music.

IN HIS YOUTH the founder of Russian National Music was influenced by the mighty labors of the Russian peasants in the anti-Napoleonic war of 1812. Director Leo Arnshtam has a strong feeling for the movement of large groups of people, and the scenes of the peasant army on the march, and the Decembrist revolt, provide the film with exciting spectacle.

The director brings this same skill for the handling of large groups into his examination of the polite society of 19th century St. Petersburg. The film's salons and palace interiors produce a gallery of 19th century figures, political and intellectual. Arnshtam's camera is never neutral. It observes and also comments, on every figure that crosses its lens.

THE FILM'S HIGH POINT is reached in the sequence that tells of the composing, and finally the production, of Glinka's opera *Ivan Susanin*. Rooting his music in the folk culture of the Russian people Glinka is faced with innumerable obstacles before a successful pro-

THE GREAT GLINKA. Directed by Leo Arnshtam. Scenario by Leo Arnshtam. Produced by Mosfilm Motion Picture Studios, USSR. With Boris Chirkov, Valentina Serova and Victor Merkuriev. Russian film with English titles at the Stanley.

duction is realized. Saddled with a synthetic and stereotyped libretto, and an opera company drilled in stylized operatic concepts, Glinka must battle to get his music a decent hearing. His *Ivan Susanin* is an opera without grand lords and ladies for characters, but simple Russian peasants instead, with music drawn from the folk melodies of the people. A radical departure for St. Petersburg in 1838, and the critics came to jeer at "this coachman's music."

The film handles the premiere of *Ivan Susanin* thoughtfully, probing the reactions of the audience as the opera unfolds. The audience, first hostile and jeering, is slowly won over to this "coachman's music" that was to mark the beginning of national music in Russia.

BORIS CHIRKOV, who was seen previously in *The Youth of Maxim*, gives an intense and concentrated performance in the title role. His friend Ulyanich, always steadfastly by his side, is portrayed with warmth and good humor by Victor Merkuriev.

Generally in Soviet films minor roles are drawn with attention for detail seldom matched in most films. *The Great Glinka* is no exception. There are a number of fine performances in minor parts particularly Aleynikov's sensitive portrayal of Pushkin.

This new Soviet film at the Stanley is an earnest film, episodic in form, but with vigorous characterizations, and rich with the music of the father of Russian music, Mikhail Glinka.

Books:

An Account of Work Relief In New York State, 1931-1935

WORK RELIEF IN NEW YORK STATE, written by the man who was head of the department of records of the Temporary Emergency Relief Administration (TERA), is an account of the pre-

WORK RELIEF IN NEW YORK STATE, 1931-1935. By Alexander Radomski. A Kings Crown Press publication. Columbia University Press. 336 pp. \$3.50. Paper.

WPA works program undertaken in the state.

Alexander Radomski's viewpoint is that of the liberal social worker, his style that of the scholar. His book goes into much detail about the administrative problems of the TERA, its regulations, source and use of funds, etc.

The author makes clear his belief in the superiority of a works program for the unemployed over the dole, and his dissent with those who smeared CWA, WPA and TERA as boondoggling and the like.

The academic approach of *Work Relief in New York State* has almost obliterated the human element of its subject, however. It is hard to believe that one could write of a period of such mass suffering and unrest in which the organized unemployed of New York played so prominent a part without some mention of that role or without transmitting in print some feeling of the surge of the depression decade.

—ROBERT FRIEDMAN.

Around the Dial

Wednesday Is the Big Night
For Radio Laugh Programs

By Bob Lauter

IF you're desperate for radio laughs, Wednesday night's your big night. At 8 p.m. there's *Can You Top This?* over WOR—a questionable show in which offensive dialect jokes are common; at 9:00 there's *Duffy's Tavern* (WNBC), *Abbot and Costello* (WJZ), *Frank Morgan* (WCBS). And then, as if that weren't enough, you can pick up *Jack Paar* at 9:30 (WJZ), *Bing Crosby* at 10 (WJZ), and at 10:30 either *Jimmy Durante* (WNBC), or *Henry Morgan* (WJZ).

But there are changes coming up this month. Jack Paar is vacating his spot. The great question of whether to listen to Durante or Morgan will be solved this Wednesday when Morgan (still the top comedian on the air) leaves the network. Morgan, by the way, has refused to continue his show on a sustaining basis, probably in order to leave himself free to dicker with other networks. Morgan has an awful lot of loyal fans who are sore at his sponsor for refusing to continue him at his old spot.

PAAR came through last week with one of the funniest sound-effects gags I have heard on radio. It doesn't make good telling, but you will have to use your imagination. He was doing a take-off on the radio "private eye." The usual beautiful blonde walks into detective Paar's office, and he offers her a drink. She accepts. There follows the gurgling sound of liquor being poured from a bottle. The sound lasts what seems like a full five minutes, at the end of which he asks, "What will you have for a chaser?"

Paar asked a question that thousands of listeners have also asked. "Now that we know who Miss Hush is, who is Martha Graham?"

SAMPLED AN HOUR of WOR's Friday night time, beginning at 8:00 with your poor wayfaring stranger, *Burl Ives*. Ives is still one of



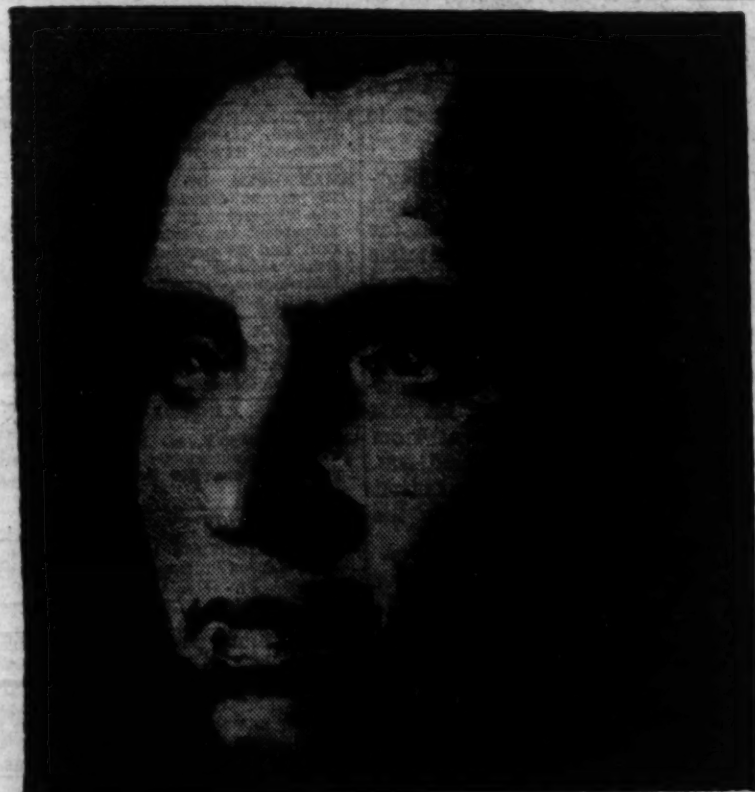
THE INSTRUMENTAL INSANITIES of Spike Jones and his band, and Fanny Brice as 'Baby Snooks' heard on CBS' three-hour Friday night laugh lineup which makes its bow Jan. 2.

the most ingratiating of ballad singers, and his program of carols was far more distinctive than most. He now has a small chorus to back him up.

Following Ives there is Jan August, a piano stylist who does some interesting things with popular songs. Clumsy and artificial dialog between the numbers, slow up the August show.

AT 8:30 WOR features its *Leave It To The Girls*, a half hour that can be very engaging, or very annoying—or both at once. This show presents a panel of well-known women who answer questions submitted by listeners, while a male guest attacks or defends the "feminine viewpoint." Questions such as the participation of women in politics, a woman's right to work, and similar social problems, inevitably arise. At times, women on the show have done an excellent job of cutting through the common prejudices and misconceptions on these questions. At other times, the program's stars have failed conspicuously. It all depends on the participants. Ted Husing, who was on last week's show, demonstrated that he ought to stick to sports. His attitude on such questions was neither original nor clever—simply reactionary and dull.

CBS is preparing a New Year's Eve program that will save you the trouble of turning the dial if you're dancing. It will also lose you the love of your neighbors. From 11:30 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. the station is presenting a solid program of dance music, sprinkled with spot news bulletins. The bands featured will include Guy Lombardo, Frankie Carle, Johnny Long, Gene Krupa, and others. The broadcasts will come from New York, New Jersey, Chicago, Georgia, Salt Lake City—anyplace where there are a few fellows with instruments.



F. GARCIA LORCA, the great Spanish poet who was murdered by Franco. On Stage is presenting his play 'Yerma' at the Cherry Lane Theatre starting December 24.

The Art Galleries:

Annual Whitney Exhibit

THE current crop of American painting, having received its yearly survey and gleaning by the Whitney Museum of American Art (10 West 8th St.), is now installed as the 1947 Annual Exhibition of Contemporary American Painting, to remain until Jan. 25. Perhaps there will be the yearly disagreement with the Museum's selections. There is no doubt that some of the 162 choices are not the most representative and that many fine but unrecognized painters were not included. Add to this an exasperating allegiance and inclusion of an "old guard" whose cultural influence has long since evaporated.

With what is exhibited however, one should be able to extract a fairly good idea of the status of contemporary painting.

AMONG THOSE PAINTERS who embrace a social subject matter, there is a developed maturity of handling and a dissatisfaction with platitudes and plastic journalism. In short there is an apparently healthy vitality, even if all of it is not very disciplined and some of the results are not first rate.

Some of the paintings have been seen before in the course of exhibition viewing throughout the season. A previously mentioned Byron Browne, Lion and Acrobat is there, looking as inventively designed as ever. William Bazlotes has a solidly felt and moody canvas and A. D. Reinhardt is represented by an abstraction—not one of his best.

There are surprises, like the heretofore grisly Ivan Lorraine Albright switching to an unexpected non-objective painting called *Tomorrow* with clattering failure. One of the finer paintings is by Hans Moller, who seems to have liberated himself from a heavy Klee influence with personalized success.

An Evergood which I have seen before, a penetrating urban landscape called *Snow City*, is one of his best. Hananiah Harari, whose work one does not see often enough, has an impressive and maturely treated abstraction. Robert Gwathmey has a characteristic and well designed canvas of a Negro singing, and there's a better I. Rice Pereira.

Among the painters who have shown unusual development are Joe Lasker and Arnold Blanch whose styles have begun to encompass an interesting visual variety. There is a new Ben Shahn, with its impeccable bite.

ON THE DREARY side of the ledger is the inclusion of a number of artists whose aesthetic arteriosclerosis is well known.

Certainly the work of Ben-Zion, Joseph Solman, Anthony Toney, to



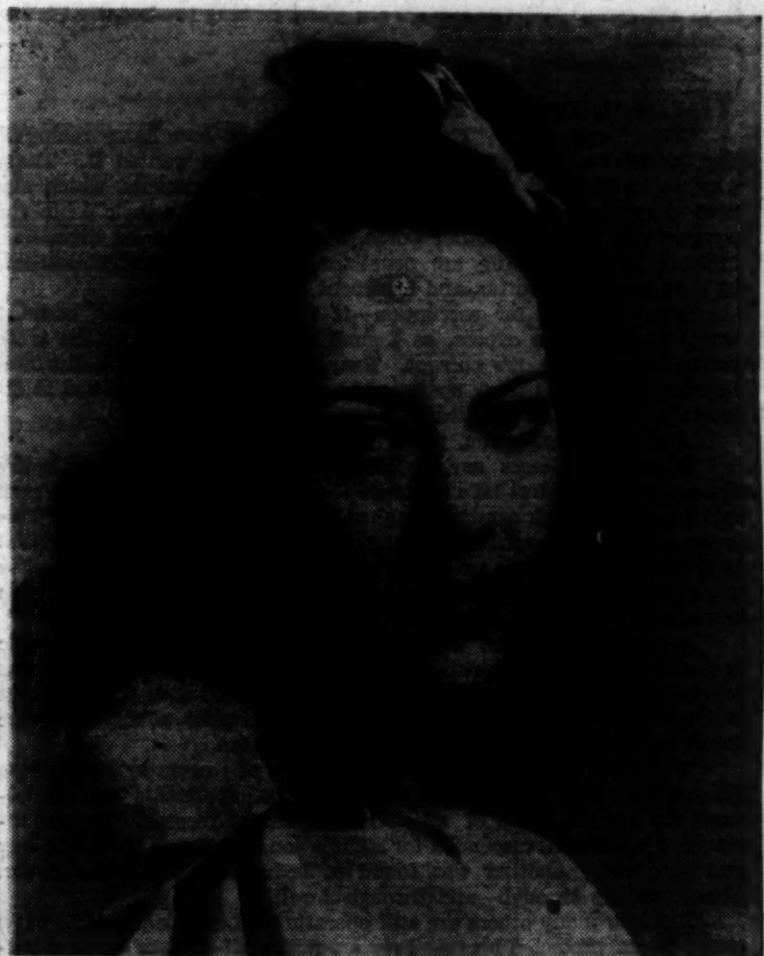
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name only a few, would certainly be more representative of the word contemporary than the trite inclusions of Kenneth Hayes Miller, Isabel Bishop, Reginald Marsh, and Walt Kuhn, whose contribution is quite dubious.

It is quite difficult to review any show of this magnitude without neglecting one or another painter's distinctive effort and on the other hand failing to stringently criticize where it is necessary.

This annual show, despite its deficiencies, presents to gallerygoers one of the better collective views of our painting arena.

ADAM B. CARTER.



FREDI WASHINGTON who will do the narration for the 'Blues For Bessie' memorial concert for Bessie Smith, the great Blues singer, at Town Hall, Thursday evening, Jan. 1. The program will include James P. Johnson, Bertha Chippie Hill, Eva Taylor, Cost Grant, Sox Wilson, Cousin Joe Pleasant and Ruby Smith and others. 'The St. Louis Blues,' Bessie Smith's movie short, will have one of its rare showings that night.

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"I can't speak for the proletariat," calmly replied Bob Realist. "I happen to be a professional sports writer."

"Ducking, eh? I thought so!"

"Not at all," said Bob.

"But you do bet on the races?" Louis persisted.

"Once in a while. I also play gin rummy for a twentieth and I had three beers last night—with pretzels."

"Now, come to the point. You know racing is crooked. You know it's a gambling game designed to lure the people's minds away from contemplation of inflation, the Marshall Plan and what Mr. Vishinsky called 'the warmongers'."

"I doubt that," Bob replied. "They have racing in the Soviet Union, you know. They also bet on the horses over there."

"Well, of course they do!" Louis crowed. "The masters must produce circuses or the slaves will gather in the catacombs and Rome will fall all over again."

Since Bob neither paled nor lost his temper, Louis tried another tack: "You say you're a sports writer. O.K. You must know the inside of the racing racket. How do you account for the fact that you and the other boys you associate with overlook the corruption which you surely must admit exists?"

"Unlike you, Lou, I'm not a reformer," Bob said, lighting a cigarette. "Racing is a part of the American scene. It's even a part of the world scene. Horses run, men like to watch them run and to bet on the nag they think'll win. Your attitude is narrow, unrealistic—you stick your head in the sand. I love sports, that's why I write about them. In my own small way, I do what I can to help clean them up. Of course, I have no illusions. Sports for money is not sport but industry. And as a student of political-economy, I cannot overlook one small item in the economic pattern of the country—horse racing. As for the occasional bets I make, I use only my own money and use it only when I have a surplus. And I concede, even while making the bet, that it's as good as lost."

"Rationalization . . . rationalization . . ."

The Reformers Tried

"Nuts!" said Bob. "The reformers tried to ban horse racing in the United States a generation ago. The people wanted it. That's why we have it. It does happen that state governments, which also need cleaning up, use revenues from betting to reduce their debts and consequently taxes. In other words, the silly goofs who get themselves in hock by over-betting are penalized properly in New York State by a 10 percent state tax and 5 percent city levy."

"Yes. Now as for corruption—if I ignored the racing scene, I would be 'unable to expose, as I shall now expose to you, the truth about racing. Yes, it's corrupt. But, in sheer self-defense, the millionaire owners and track operators were forced a few years ago to attempt a cleanup from within."

"And that pleases you, you hypocrite?"

"It neither pleases nor displeases me. I'm not at all subjective about the matter. But let's look into the record. I got this in the mail today. . . ." He took a mimeographed brochure from his pocket. "This is from The Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau. It says that 1,200 investigations were made last year. Some 62 persons were fined or suspended by stewards; 23 were convicted or suspended by the courts or state racing commissions."

"Here's an item that will please you," Bob continued. "Everyone in racing is being fingerprinted, 24,466 persons in all last year. Crooks who knew that their fingerprints would be compared with police records just quit the track. Some who didn't—and quite a number—were found to have previously been arrested for arson."

"The TRPB has virtually stopped the use of ringers by lipstattooing all horses. They've also clamped down on applicants for stalls—small-fry owners, some of whom have criminal records. In one instance, a horseman, suspended for stimulation, was found to be a robber and con man. Another was found to be a gambling house owner. These two are through—and through for life."

"But how many others are still operating?" Louis demanded. "How many others, protected because they are not small-fry, are gypping bettors like you?"

"I don't know. Probably quite a few. And I know that even this inside reform job, undoubtedly sincere in its motives, must fail."

"Sure you do . . . and yet you bet?"

"Moderately, yes. And with the full conviction that until racing is operated by the people it will always be corrupt. Not every race, not even a majority of races—indeed, only in rare cases. But on days when I have a surplus two bucks, when I am not playing gin rummy or drinking three beers, or have a half day off and go to the track, I'll take my chances."

"I don't get it," Louis wagged his head. "Where, let me ask you, do the people operate racing?"

"In the Soviet Union, of course. There trade unions and other organizations own the horses, the state owns the tracks. There's no reason for corruption—for neither owners or track operators seek personal profit—and if corruption is found, it would be punished not by mere suspension, but as a violation of the law."

"You have an awful lot of faith in the people."

"I have. Well, I've got to go, Lou." He glanced at Liberal's desk. "I see you're going to the basketball game Saturday night," he remarked, pointing to a varicolored ticket which lay on Louis' desk.

"Oh, that's not a basketball ticket."

"What is it?"

"I bought a chance in the Irish Sweepstakes. . . ."

Lineups, Numbers For Tonight's Games

FIRST GAME, 8 p.m.				SECOND GAME			
No.	Utah State	Position	City College	No.	Oregon U.	Position	Long Island
26	Hansen	F	Jameson	10	Bartlett	F	Lipman
36	Jorgensen	F	Dambrot	19	Amacher	F	Smith
32	Gilmore	G	Benson	12	Wiley	G	Scherer
23	Jones	G	Finestons	2	Williamson	G	Rubin
31	Dane	G	Malamed	11	Lavey	G	French
Utah State Reserves—Taylor (22), Noy (23), Jackson (24), Chlids (25), Jorgensen (27), Adams (29), Murdock (31), Schenk (32), Johnson (35).				Oregon Reserves—Popick (3), Berg (7), Rasmussen (8), Gaeck (9), Hamilton (16), Don (21), Seberg (22), Cooper (24).			
City College Reserves—Brickman (4), Markoff (6), Shapiro (7), Finger (8), Wittlin (9), Trubowitz (15), Galiber (19), Farberman (20), Malamed (21).				Long Island Reserves—Tropis (31), Mora (23), Anderson (2), Pastack (29), Miller (30), Toloff (31), Leitman (32), Lewis (33), McQueen (34), Whalen (35), Bak (36), Gled (38).			

Can NYU Do Same?

It's a slightly less "invincible" Kentucky basketball team coming into the Garden against NYU tomorrow night. Blame it on Temple, an inspired, always-tough-at-home quint which treated the Convention Hall crowd to an amazing upset Saturday night. Nelson Bobb's field goal with 90 seconds, plus Ken Rollins' failure to make good on his second free toss which would've knotted the count with seconds left.

Earlier that same day in Philadelphia, the redhot Illinois conquerors of Notre Dame kept up the unbeaten pace by knocking off Penn by a lopsided margin. Quite a ballclub, that . . .

Talking upsets, how about the Oklahoma Aggies going down against Kansas State in the finale of the Big Seven tourney at Kansas City.

St. John's looked perfectly miserable losing another contest to powerful North Carolina State at the Garden Saturday night . . . while St. Francis eased the local hurt somewhat by fighting gamely before going down to one-goal loss against Toledo. Even Dick McGuire was off for the Redmen . . . and that's reaching a new low. Ivy Summer couldn't do it alone, although he tried.



IRV DAMBROT is the smiling "baby" of the CCNY hustlers, a rapidly maturing hoopster whose lefthanded pushups have him well up among the local high scorers. He'll be out to give Utah State a dose of same this evening.

Shades of Foxx, Gehrig? Not Quite

Remember Lou Gehrig and Jimmy Foxx and the days when major league first basemen were sluggers? Well, the official statistics say today that them days are gone—at least temporarily.

Lumping together the performance of all the big time first sackers last season produces a collective batting average of only .267. And only three of the 16 clubs had a first baseman who hit over .300.

The National had two men over .300—Stan Musial of St. Louis at .311 and Johnny Mize of the Giants at .302—while the lone American League first baseman to reach the charmed circle was aging George McQuinn who swatted at .304.

The Brooklyn Dodgers' speed merchant, Jackie Robinson, just missed with a .297 percentage but as the National League's "Rookie of the Year" was among the brightest performers at the initial sack. Eddie Waitkus, for whom the Dodgers have been angling apparently in vain was next in line with .292 for the Chicago Cubs.

Earl Torgeson of the Boston Braves, didn't hit big league pitching as freely and as easily as he did minor league offerings, with .281. Big Hank Greenberg, who had what he considers his poorest season in

City Looking to Atone With Win Over Utah Tonite

Angry and anxious to get back into contention, City College's band of peppy cagers climb back on the Garden floor tonight after two straight losses to meet Utah State in the first of the evening's twinbill featuring LIU and Oregon in the climax.

Tonight's is the first of two successive double-headers, with the NYU-Cornell and Kentucky-St. John's bill coming up tomorrow evening. Tickets can still be bought at the box office for tonight's bill of fare.

With two straight losses to Bowling Green and Texas in the books, Nat Holman's crew is well aware that any further setbacks endanger its post-season tourney chances. Not that CCNY has been disgraced in its two losses, to the contrary, the Beavers came mighty close to pulling both games out of the fire with thrilling second half rallies. And there's no doubt the speedy skillful kids still rate as one of the nation's superior quints. Holman will start

what many consider his best lineup: Dambrot, Benson, Jameson, Finestone and Malamed. All of the boys have been brushing up on the foul-throw errandisms which cost them the Texas game.

Those worthies will be going up against a Utah State team rated about on par with the last season's squad which won 14 and lost 10 . . . this despite the loss of lettermen Jim Cleverly and Clarke Johnson. Likely to start against City are Frank Gilmore, brothers Lee and C. P. Jorgensen, Dell Nichols and Norm Jones. This club opened its Eastern swing last week with a close win over St. Bonaventure in Buffalo. Please don't confuse it with the other Utah cagers who copped the National Invitation last March. There's quite a difference.

LIU, WITH two out of three wins on the Garden boards against Western Michigan and LSU, is a slowly improving team which tries to make up in hustle and depth what it lacks in out-and-out talent. Coach Bee intends starting Lipman, Bob Smith, whose set shots are on the upgrade again, Herb Scherer, Roy Rubin and Jack French.

The Oregon foes showed to advantage here last season in trouncing NYU 81-56. Leading scorer Stan Williamson is the baby the Blackbirds will have to bottle, along with 6-8 center Roger Wiley. Jim Bartelt, Bob Lavey and Bob Amacher are the other starters. Wiley and Williamson are the lads who racked up 18 points apiece against the Violets. Both are short men, Williamson standing only 5-7, and his teammate two inches higher.

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Walcott Middle Man For Monty-Angelo

BOSTON, Dec. 15 (UP).—Jersey Joe Walcott, makes his first American ring appearance since his heavyweight title bout with champion Joe Louis, when he referees a lightweight boxing bout at Boston Garden tonight between Bob Montgomery and Joey Angelo.

In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



The Eleventh Round

YOU AND I are in Steve Belloise's dressing room three minutes after his bruising ten round decision over tall Tom Bell. It must be painfully recorded that in real life you'd never get into a fighter's dressing room unless you had business there, like a sports writer, but being you and I are such fast friends allow me to brush you past the burly cop spreading his beef outside the fighter's chamber. The first thing you see inside is the thin-haired winner seated on his rubbing table, surrounded by guys with pads of paper and furiously moving pencils, plus a few well wishers and friends from the fight trade.

Belloise loves to talk and has a vocabulary which figures to make a chump out of his questioners, words like "casting aspersions" and stuff like that, but otherwise a very nice fellow. His nose is quite orange and much different in contour than it was ten years ago when I saw a tall handsome chap of serious mien score a one-round knockout on the prelim card at Fort Hamilton.

"First six rounds my left did all the work. I couldn't hit Bell with a right hand to save my soul in those first six rounds. Oh he's a very cagey fellow. Did you see him stick his head outside the ropes so I wouldn't hit him any more in the ninth round?"

"I don't know why he didn't jab, use his left more. When he jabbed me he did alright. Notice that? I had some hard luck tonight. Knocking a guy down and then falling down with him. He'd always grab me after I hit him a good one. That's the sign of a good fighter."

"Yes, Bell is very clever. Listen, I'm against guys fighting out of their class. I mean it's foolish for a man to give away 11-12 pounds. But do you know why this match was made? Bell and I sparred at Stillman's. Oh we were terrific. It was much better than this fight."

Somebody asks Steve would he like to fight Ray Robinson, who this same evening has knocked out Chuck Taylor in Detroit.

"Robinson? If there's money in it for me, why not? I've got a little daughter."

Enter Strauss

AT THIS POINT, old Sol Strauss enters. The barrister who took over the promotional duties for the ailing Mike Jacobs is as obviously mismatched in his new duties as some of the fight cards he has arranged in said capacity. Fortunately, he is hard of hearing and misses much of what is said to his face.

But goodwill is spread all over his cherubic face. "Good fight, Steve. Very good. Maybe some day you'll be champion."

"Thank you," says Belloise. "Maybe some day you'll get a middle-weight to fight me."

But Strauss doesn't quite hear, gives the fighter a warm pat on the back, and jovially takes his leave to spread further joy in Tommy Bell's dressing room. Obviously, somebody told Strauss that Mike Jacobs always visited the dressing rooms after a fight.

Let us see if we can't beat Sol to the loser's quarters.

BELL, UNMARKED, glib, not at all disappointed over his decisive defeat, is explaining why he forsook his boxing genius to foolishly carry the fight and trade punches.

"Sometimes I lose my head," quoth Tommy.

"How many years does a guy have to fight before he learns not to lose his head?" inquires one reporter, confidently fresh in his superficial intimacy with the fighter. Bell just smiles.

"I wonder how it sounded over the radio," muses Bell. "My wife and kid had to listen in over the radio. Did it sound like a good fight?"

"I wasn't listening to the fight over a radio." The same reporter.

Sol Strauss arrives on his second mission. A wicked gleam lights Bell's eye. "Hey Sol! When are you going to let me fight a welterweight? The only way I get a fight around here is to spot some guy 15 pounds." Tommy is speaking loudly and distinctly.

Strauss smiles. "Your argument is very sound."

"It's perfect!" cracks Bell. "Listen Sol, when are you gonna give me a welterweight?" Strauss tries to get lost in conversation with someone else. "Listen Sol," says Bell, enjoying his advantage, "when are you giving me a welterweight?" Again the question was too loud for Strauss to ignore. Sol shrugs his shoulders. "If Ray Robinson says okay, you can have him. I can't MAKE Robinson fight you. But if he says okay, Tommy, the fight is yours!", his voice rising like a triumphant trumpet. "And if not Robinson, I'll get you Livio Minelli."

"Minelli... that's a good match," mutters Chick Wergeles, who manages Bell more often than any other manager. Tommy frequently changes managers. Doesn't trust them.

"Listen, Tommy," says Wergeles. "I'll go down to the Commission Monday morning and post \$2,500 for the Robinson fight."

"Okay Chick," says Bell. "Just let me see the bankbook when you get back."

'Pittsburgh' Dodgers

It'll be D-day plus one for the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1948, and if they don't deliver, the owners are prepared to abandon ship. D, as far as the Pittsburgh owners are concerned, stands for due and Dodgers.

The Dodgers have done everything humanly possible to keep the Pirates in the league a little longer, by contributing generously to the Corsair cause for 1948.

Pittsburgh boasts ex-Brooklynites at virtually every position. In the pitching department, there's little Vic Lombardi, Hal Gregg and the inimitable Kirby Higbe. The infield numbers first baseman Eddie Stevens, shortstop Stan Rojek and second baseman Romanus Bassall,

whom Pittsburgh plucked from the Montreal Royals, Brooklyn's number one minor league affiliate.

The Pirates whistled Dixie long enough at the Dodgers to lure outfielder Dixie Walker and catcher Dixie Howell.

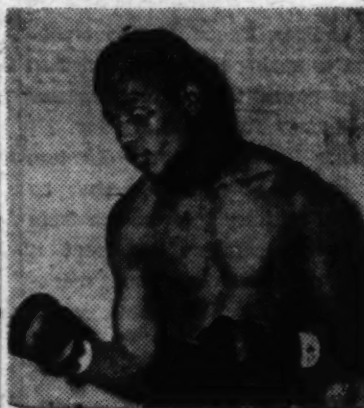
Pittsburgh's outfield, at first blush, appears as formidable as any in the circuit. Ralph Kiner, who blasted 51 homers last season, is a fixture in left field, of course, with Walker slated for duty in right. Center field shapes up as the prize in a battle between Johnny Hopp, Wally Westlake, Max West, a home run hitting demon on the Pacific Coast last season, and angular Joe Grace.

Eagles East Champs, Top Steelers, 21-0

To Be Matched?



STEVE BELLOISE is asking for a catch-weight match with Ray Robinson (below). The Bronx better, fresh over his win against Tommy Bell, told reporters he'll fight anybody—"I gotta make money for my little daughter," grinned Stevie.



Skins and Dodgers Wild About Harry

Alabama's Harry Gilmer will be the owner of a nice fat paycheck before he signs up with a pro club. That much was evident as the National Football League confab con-

cluded over the weekend. Already drawn in the All-American Conference draft by the Brooklyn Dodgers, the Alabam' passing genius was also ticketed by the Washington Redskins at the NFL draft.

With no sign of a mutual draft between the AAC and NFL, here's how the '48 biddings shape up, aside from the battle for Gilmer. The New York Giants will be competing with the AAC Rockets for Tony Minisi.

The aforementioned Redskins will have to offer more moolah than the New York Yanks for Michigan's Jack Weisenburger and Alabama's Lowell Tew. The Detroit Lions, whose owners have dropped many millions of dollars trying to get a contender in the Hub City, are vying with the Yanks for Arizona's Fred Enke, Jr., who was the college game's total offensive yardage leader.

Notre Dame's tackle George Connor will be the object of both the Boston Yanks and the Cleveland Browns, while the Pittsburgh Steelers are in the same draw with the AAC champs for Bob Chappliss, Michigan's great halfback.

Philly Eagle owner Alexis Thompson was the NFL's proponent for a mutual draft with the AAC, but his proposal was stymied by league officials who pointed to a ruling requiring all new proposals be submitted in writing 30 days in advance of a league meeting.

None of this, of course, is calculated to make the incoming play-for-pay gridders unhappy. Lack of a mutual draft between the two

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 21 (UP).—Tommy Thompson, tossing down-soft passes with the accuracy of a weaver's loom, led the Philadelphia Eagles to a 21 to 0 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers today to give the Eagles the championship of the National Football League's Eastern Division.

Thompson's unerring needle-threading meant touchdown passes to Steve Van Buren and Jack Ferrante in the first two periods, and then Bosh Pritchard applied the clincher with a dazzling 79-yard punt return for a score before four minutes were gone in the third quarter.

A crowd of 35,729 saw the Eagles win their first division honors in League history and the right to play the Chicago Cardinals next Sunday for the League title and for the home folks, there wasn't too much to cheer about.

In a game marked by bruising line play, the Eagles overpowered their intra-state opponents and the Steelers only went beyond mid-field on four occasions. They reached the Eagles' 45 and 44-yard lines,

Michigan Sightsees, Trojans Limber Up

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 21 (UP).—The mighty University of Michigan football team went sightseeing today before getting down to hard work for the New Year's day Rose Bowl game, while the opposing University of Southern California squad set up training quarters in Santa Barbara.

Coach Jeff Cravath took 56 Trojans through a limbering up drill this afternoon at Santa Barbara High School field shortly after arriving there today from Los Angeles to train for the football classic.

and in their only real offensive, dug as deep as the Eagles' nine late in the third period. Their only other scoring chance was the recovery of an Eagle fumble on the champions' 26 midway through the fourth period. But, in turn, they promptly fumbled this opportunity away.

Through the first half which spelled the Eagles' triumph, Thompson gave a magnificent display of field generalship, topped off by his scoring passes. He maneuvered the team downfield in a long march from the Eagles' 27. But when the Steelers dug in, the Eagles faked a place-kick and Al Sherman threw an "incomplete" pass into the end zone on last down.

However, in a matter of four plays, the relentless Eagles surged ahead. Three Pittsburgh running plays were for no net gain, and then Pete Pihos broke through to block Bob Cifers' kick. The ball rolled out of bounds on the 14, and Philadelphia took it there. On third down, Thompson laid a pass right in Van Buren's hands in the flat, and it was a romp to the goal for the league's ground-gaining record holder.

In the second period, Thompson duplicated his touchdown passing and this time Ferrante was the receiver. The Eagles' drive started on their own 31 and Thompson kept it alive with an important quarterback sneak for a first down in Steeler territory. Then from the 28, he dropped back, hit Ferrante in the clear, and Jack tore into the end zone carrying two tacklers with him.

Pritchard's third period 79-yard run was snatched from the pages of a movie scenario. He took Cifers' kick on the 21, eluded two tacklers and then appeared penned against the side-lines by a wave of Steeler tacklers. Yet, from the maze, the former V.M.I. fleetfoot scooted into the clear. Everyone stood astounded and flatfooted except three Eagle blockers who picked him up to convey him the distance in an almost dead silence from the shocked stands.

Entries, Selections

Gulfstream Entries

Gulfstream Park entries for Monday, Dec. 22. Cloudy and fast.

FIRST—1 1/8 miles; maidens; 3-year-olds; \$2600.

Sacred Vow114 *Omaha Bound112
Scotch Doodle117 *Dunde113
Sweet Sweet114 *Vip112
Priam121 *Fragrance113
Mad Past121 Fonda121

SECOND—7 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds and up; \$2400.

*W. H. Kelly105 The Congo114
*In the Wings109 Bolo Shellie107
Peacock Lady111 Sir Gerald110
*Town Betty104 *Wise Decision105
*Panor Grier105 *Poochaneili106
*My Zaca109 *Bengray112
Duchess Argyle109 *Celestial Blue106
Blue Frost105 *Graym'r Bonnie 114

THIRD—6 furlongs; maidens; 2-year-olds; \$2600.

Kibbitt117 Sky Train120
Smart Eddie120 a-Kamar120
*Alacrit115 Quebec120
a-Gay Spark120 Foxy Pal120
*Little Cassino112 Little Rip120
Shagtown120 Akbar120
Woolards Pet110 *Octorora115
East Warrior120 *Harriet H.112
a-Phippa-Mrs. Breen entry.

FOURTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$2600.

Big T. O.111 Fact Finder109
Swing Maid109 *Ruddy Glow112
Green Bowler1145 *Nangee104
Don Lanning106 *Lochiel Lass112
Sis Boom Baa114 *Equate112

FIFTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$1900.

Hilar112 Cardigan114
*Tabouret104 *Ginny's Pride104
*Friendly Don117 Arab's Fancy107
Fairant117 Manceen114
*Princess Eire109 Florist115
Tom Ferris109

SIXTH—6 furlongs; allowances; 3-year-olds; \$2550.

*Suribachi100 Beaton Pippa114

AL'S SELECTIONS

1—Fonda, Omaha Bound, Sweet Sweet.

2—Wise Decision, Celestial Blue, W. H. Kelly.

3—Quebec, Octorora, Sky Train.

4—Factfinder, Sis Boom Baa, Equate.

5—Cardigan, Fairant, Tabouret.

6—Roman Candle, Sylvia Dear, Suribachi.

7—Fanash, Gotta Break, Helio Miss.

8—Romulus, Highway 50, Inedito.

Cellophane117 Yankee Hill120
Mountain Lion120 Even Star111
Sylvia Dear109 *Fleet Lady106
Roman Candle117 Sissie G.114
a-Master120 a-Balanced120
*Dancing Margot 109

a-Calumet Farm entry.

SEVENTH—1 1/16 miles; claiming; 2-year-olds; \$2800.

Five East114 *Roman Holiday 105
Sea Urchin115 Ari's Muriel111
*Gotta Break112 *Spring Gal102
*Speed Bird102 Lady Fakir111
*Hi Pi106 Sweet Sara111
*Helio Miss106 *Fanash112

EIGHTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 3-year-olds and up; \$2500.

Opening Bid115 Aguilucho111
Game O'Chance115 *Romulus113
Bonbridge111 *Highway Fifty110
Mug's Game111 *Burra Peg108
*Limehouse110 Ring Master113
Lucky Ann112 Inedito115
*True Pilate107 Credenda112
Display Flight110 *Mr. Flip109
*Apprentice allowance claimed.

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Price Rollback, Rationing Asked in Taylor Bill

By Max Gordon

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The first genuine measure to restore control of prices is now in the lap of Congress. Introduced by Sen. Glen Taylor (D-Idaho) just before the close of the special session Friday, the bill is believed to be the one that will be backed by labor, consumer and other groups who want a lid put on ceilings.

RENEW FIGHT

The price fight will be resumed with added vigor as soon as Congress reconvenes Jan. 6 for its regular session.

Sen. Taylor's bill includes the following features:

- Immediate freeze of prices at the lowest level of November, 1947, while the administration of controls gets rolling.
- Food prices to be rolled back to the lowest level in 1947, which means from 15 percent to 20 percent.
- Subsidies to farmers.
- Prices on manufactured goods to be rolled to the point where profit margins equal the 1935-39 average.
- Power given to ration and allocate scarce materials.
- Enforcement provisions of old price control act to be recreated together with an administrative apparatus.

The proposal differs sharply from the Truman program, introduced into Congress earlier in the week by Sen. Alben Barkley and Rep. Brent Spence, Kentucky Democrats.

The Administration measure does not call for roll-back, but simply for a freeze on the wholesale price of a particular commodity whenever the President decides it is scarce and price is going up too fast.

It permits Congress to remove the freeze within 30 days, and provides no enforcement machinery or any other administrative apparatus. Administration is to be by regular government departments.

The one alleged "anti-inflation" measure passed by the special session of Congress, sponsored by the GOP, was sharply criticized today by a Republican Senator from Iowa.

The GOP program, Sen. George A. Wilson said, "doesn't mean a thing."

"I'm not in favor of kidding the public," he told reporters. "This bill won't accomplish anything, and anybody who studies it will soon find that out."

The GOP bill, now before President Truman for signature or veto, calls for voluntary allocations of scarce materials (including relaxation of the anti-trust laws), and extension of controls on exports and transportation.

Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-O) indicated the partisan political nature of the bill when he said it gave President Truman all the power he needed to control prices.

The GOP will now charge that high prices are a result of Truman's failure to use his powers properly.

5 GM LOCALS ASK UAW DEMAND 25c PAY BOOST

DETROIT, Dec. 21 (UP).—Five key locals of the United Auto Workers (CIO) recommended today that the UAW demand a 25-cent hourly pay hike when it launches its "cost-of-living" wage drive in the spring.

The five units, representing 50,000 General Motors workers at Flint, Mich., submitted three demands to the union's General Motors Council which will meet soon to map its strategy.

BULLETIN

AFL Wire Strike Off; Dispute Goes to Panel

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP).—Three AFL unions tonight agreed to call off a scheduled nationwide telegraph strike after the Western Union Telegraph Company agreed to submit the wage dispute to a fact-finding panel, it was disclosed tonight.

To Seek Probe of Knickerbocker Project

Assemblyman Samuel Roman said yesterday he would introduce a resolution at the opening session of the State Legislature to investigate the Fred F. French Realty Corp., owners of Knickerbocker Village.

The 1,600 families at Knickerbocker Village, he said, are being harassed by the management for a 15 percent rent hike in rents which is contrary to the spirit of the public housing law regulating limited dividend housing developments. Knickerbocker Village on the lower East Side is such a project.

Roman claimed the company's earnings were in excess of what the law permits.

Milwaukee CP in Mayoralty Race

Special to the Daily Worker

MILWAUKEE, Wisc., Dec. 21.—Sigmund G. Eisenscher, chairman of the Communist Party here, yesterday announced his candidacy for the mayoralty since the city's liberal and labor forces had failed to unite behind a single nominee.

The 36-year-old Eisenscher is a veteran of 44 months service in the last war, 20 months of which were in combat in Europe. Serving with the Fifth Armored Division, he was awarded the Bronze Star, the Combat Medical Badge and five campaign stars. Eisenscher is married and the father of two children.

"It is my concern in the course of this campaign," Eisenscher declared, "to bring before the voters those issues that are of most urgent concern to them, to guarantee that the people of Milwaukee shall be heard from on their real needs."

"There must be an end to shadow-boxing with the problems of housing and rent controls, with the rights of the Negro people, with the deplorable stagnation in our transport and traffic system."

He added he would fight to "remove the City Hall from the strangling grip of economy-minded real estate operators."

Yugoslav Trial Hears Priest Admit Spying

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Dec. 21 (UP).—Four Catholic priests on trial at Pola, Yugoslavia, have confessed to spying for an unidentified foreign power, the official Yugoslav New Agency Tanjug said today.

Father Simplicio Albino Gomiero was quoted as admitting that he collected military information from his parish members and sent it abroad by radio from a secret transmitter in St. Anthony's Monastery in Pola.

"I acted in such a way," Tanjug quoted him, "because it was an order from my superiors in the supreme military vicariate, which is directly subordinate to the Vatican. I succumbed to the influence of Bishop Radossi, who during the entire war, was on the side of the Germans."

Father Bernardo Ernesto Berinco reportedly confessed that he supplied data on the movements of army armaments and political and economic conditions in Rovinj.

Father Ambrogio Roberto Belato, according to Tanjug, admitted that he helped install a secret radio, and Father Atanasio Cristiano Kocijancic "admitted spying for a foreign power."

Truman

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backbone of western European economy. The State Department memorandum stresses German "paralysis of production" as a major cause for European economic dislocation.

The special currency fund will be used, as debate in the Senate on a similar provision in the "Interim aid" measure revealed, to strengthen the police forces of the various nations and to expand U. S. propaganda in Europe.

The Plan bars participation by the U.S.S.R. and the nations of Eastern Europe, since it specifically requires that its purposes, as outlined by Truman and the State Department, be lived up to.

On the other hand, a high State Department official told a press conference that Franco Spain can join the Plan despite UN condemnation of its government.

The Plan calls for encouraging investment of private American capital in Europe and guarantees that investing companies will be able to get their money out in American dollars.

While Europe alone is involved in the Plan, Truman assured Congress he would deal with "aid" to China early in the regular session.



By BARNARD RUBIN

ANOTHER CHINESE AREA where the Chinese are being lorded over by Japanese army personnel brought in by the U. S. Army's top brass with the acquiescence of Chiang Kai-shek—Taiwan.

There, again, thousands of the Japanese military wear American military uniforms, carry American weapons, move about on special American passes.

Chinese citizens in Taiwan have been evicted from their homes to make room for top Japanese personnel. . . .



TOWN TALK

Esquire magazine publisher Smart fired ten people last week in a fit of anger. . . .

Marlon Brando, who clicked in Streetcar Named Desire as a powerfully built mechanic, in the past played characters with slight builds. For his present role he went through an intensive body building session in a local gym. . . .

The sequel to The Jolson Story will be done by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer instead of by Columbia, which did the original. MGM has Gene Kelly slated to do Jolson instead of Columbia's Larry Parks. Jolson, of course, will again sing the dubbed-in songs. Talk however, is that MGM may try to borrow Parks in a deal in which Kelly will be loaned to Columbia for another picture. . . .

Katherine Dunham and her troupe a smash hit in Ciro's, Hollywood.

Alfred M. Landon, who owns a radio station in Leavenworth, Kansas, is buying another in Denver. (You remember Landon; he once ran for President or something). . . .

A comedy gauge, showing which scenes in Henry Morgan's picture So This Is New York get laughs, is being used in cutting that film. When the film was previewed on the West Coast the theatre was specially wired to record both audience laughter and the dialogue. Records were then played in the studio as a guide to the cutters. Footage that got unexpected laughs was increased and what were considered flat spots were eliminated. . . .

Godfrey Tearle, who drew raves as Antony in Katharine Cornell's production of Shakespeare's classic, is planning a West Coast production of Othello. . . .

New York World-Telegram radio columnist Harriet Van Horne is starting a weekly radio program of her own this Saturday on WJZ. . . .

A veteran recently returned from the Pacific calls State Department policy there "A policy of MacArsenic and Old Lace". . . .

That lead of ours last week as to the reason why the State Department's Voice of America radio program went all out on the "Soviet economy collapse" story was followed up shortly afterwards by Radio Daily, an industry trade sheet.

The trade sheet reported, "As a result of the world-wide reporting of the Russian (economy collapse) story . . . via the 'Voice of America' broadcast, look for Congress to raise the appropriation for those airings . . . before the end of the current session". . . .

That item we ran some time ago, about the problem headline writers would be faced with trying to use Robert A. Taft's name in initial form a la FDR, reminded one reader that you can reach Taft (as well as any Senator in Washington) by marking the envelope S.O.B.

S.O.B., for the benefit of the nasty-minded, stands for Senate Office Building. . . .

Col. Blimp, all of 75, startled the community by marrying a girl of 18.

A year later, when she presented him with a fine nine-pound son, the proud colonel assembled the entire regiment, mounted the band stand, cleared his throat, and announced: "I have called you together to tell you that my wife gave birth this morning to a strapping baby boy. Gentlemen, I thank you one and all". . . .

ANOTHER TYPO STORY

A "t" instead of an "e" resulted in the following item in the Clearwater, Florida "Sun."

"Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hartwick of Tampa will entertain at open house Sunday, from three until tight". . . .

Set Reich Needs At \$4 Billion

Western Germany will need about \$4,000,000,000 during the next five years to pay its food bill and make up the difference between exports and imports, the American and British military governments said yesterday.

Two parallel estimates were prepared by officials in Berlin and Washington. Both showed that fulfillment of the Anglo-American \$2,000,000,000 export-import plan drawn up last January was impossible. That plan called for an export-import balance for the bizonal area by 1950. So far exports from the western zone have fallen far below goals.

The number one item required for Germany is imported food. This will cause the greatest drain on "Marshall Plan" aid to the Reich.

Gen. Lucius Clay, American military governor in Germany, reported to Washington that Ruhr coal mines are moving towards peak production as a result of food incentive programs.

In his semi-monthly report, Clay said the third incentive plan is in effect now. It was designed to bring output to 325,000 metric tons daily. The mines passed the 280,000 mark early this month.

DUTCH KILL 300 INDONESIANS

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 21 (UP).—The Indonesian Republic said tonight that Dutch forces had killed 300 civilians and wounded 200 others during four days of fighting in the Krawang area, 50 miles east of Batavia.